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INDIAN BANKS.		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Bank of Bombay	20,000	500	all	100 p. c. } 1 bon. }	1,362 1-2
Bank of Bengal	40,000	00	all	10 pr. ct.	1,200
Bank of Madras	10,000	600	all	10 pr. ct.	1,061
Commercial	{ 10,000	100	{ 100	nil	60
Bank of India.	{ 15,000		{ 75		
EXCHANGE BANKS.					
Agra	1,00,000	46	all	3 pr. ct.	9
Charter Bank ...	40,000	£20	£20	10 pr. ct.	£29 1-2
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation ...	80,000	dol. 125	all	£1-10-0	1
National Bank of India	40,000	£25	£12 1-2	8 pr. ct.	

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

				Half yearly.	
Ahmedabad Advantage ...	70	1,000	000	Nil	
Alliance	1,500	1,100	all	Nil	150
Anglo-Indian ...	1,345	...	0	Nil	15
Assur Veerjee Mill Ltd.	In all 2000 Shares of which 1002 have been allotted.	Rs. 500 each	Fully paid up	Rs. 25 12 1-2	600
Aurangabad S. & M. Co., Ld. ...	70	1,000	1,000	60	
Ballary S. & W. Co., Ld. (Bellary)	971	60	all	9 per ct.	1,000
Berar Manfg Co., Ld	2,750	550,000	200	12 1-2	170
Bombay United	90	1,000	1,000	Nil	10
Bombay Cotton Manfg. Co., ...	90	500	500	dvdR. 2	400
Bombay National Manufg. Co., Ld	500	1,000	1,000	d	90
Britannia Mills	1,000	1,000	1,000	d	360
Bombay Woollen Manfg. Co, Ld	650	1,000	1,000	10 per ct.	1,000
Central India...	1,000	500	50	dvdRs.50	1,775
China Mills Co, Ld.	800	1,000	1,00	dvdRs.	3 0
City of Bombay Mills	800	1,000	1,00	dvdRs.2	575
Colaba Land & Mills	4 500	700	...	Rs. 10	305
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Dhulia Ginning and Pressing Co., Ld.	400	250	all	dvdRs20	253
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Empress	2,100	500	500	Nil	250
Framjee Mill..	1,250	1,000	1,000	Nil	20
Hindustan ...	4875	1,000	1,000	Nil	2 0
Hinguphat Mills	700	500	500	40	670
Howard and Bullough's ...	1,500	500	500	50	490
Hope Mills.....	500	1,000	1,000	30	350
Hutcheson ...	700	1,000	1,000	30	1,150xd
Imperial Cotton	900	500	500	Nil	15
Indian Manfg...	1,000	1,000	1,000	Nil	4 0
Indo-China Manufacturing Co., Ld...	700	1,000	1,000	dvdRs 50	400
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Jaffer Alli	600	500	500	dvdRs 20	220
Jamshedmanufacturing Co	1,800	250	250	dvd 5	125
Jewraj Balloo...	1,000	1,000	1,00	no dvd	370
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Leopold	3,500	100	108	dvdRs.5	145
Lord Reay Mfg	445	1,000	1,000	30	150
Lakmidas Spinning & Weaving Co. ...	1,000	1,000	1,000	Rs 30	550
Madras United	356	1,000	1,000	Rs 40	2,840
Mahalaxmee...	600	1,000	1,000	Nil	75
Mahomedbhoy Mills (Gulbarga)	8,400	500	500	5 pr ct.	...
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Mchanlal K. Patrick & Co. Ld., Mfg ... Ld.,	300	100	11	dvdRs15	30
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Myson & M. Co., Ld	4,000	250	250	Nil	16
Madura Mills ...	7,779	100	100	Nil	...
National	500	1,000	1,000	Nil	2 0
New Great Eastern.....	1,400	1,000	1,000	Rs. 20	1 0
Presidency Mills Co., Ld.	742	1,	1,000	Mil	500
Queen Mills ...	800	1,000	1,000	Rs30	50
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Sassoon	1,250	500	500	Nil	5
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Soonderdas ...	500	1,000	1,000	dvdRs75	1775
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Sun Mills, Ld.	1,300	250	250	Rs. 15	160
Swadeshi Mills Co., Ld.	1,000	500	500	15	150
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Swadeshi Mills	4,000	500	500	dvdRs22½	495
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Union Spinning and Manufacturing Co.	800	1,000	1,000	50	25
Uptun Mills Ld.	1,000	1,000	1,000	dvdRs20	
Venkatesh & Lukhmidas Co. ...	90	500	500	dvdRs40	410xd
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Albert Ginning Co.	100	500	all 18 pr. ct.	41
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Kemp & Co. ...	4,000	200	175 21	373
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TO-DAY.

Sun rises 5h. 33m. Sun sets, 6h. 39m. High-water, 7-0m., 6-42s. Low water, 0-56m., 0-59s. P. and O. s. s. Paramatta, with English Mails of 6th instant, due to arrive at daylight.

Mrs. Austin Lepoer-Power's recitals and songs, Framjee Institute, 9 p.m.

CRICKET.

United Service *vs.* Bombay Gymkhana.

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Anglo-Indian A. C. *vs.* John Bright C. C.

TO-MORROW

Sun rises, 5h. 34m. Sun sets, 6h, 38 m. High water, 8h, 27m., 7-5 2s. Low water, 1-4m., 2-21s.

THE GUN CLUB.—There will be a meet to-day, at Love Grove, at 4-30 p. m. (weather permitting).

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH YOUNG MEN'S GUILD.—Mr. James Douglas will deliver a lecture in John Connon School to-day, at 5 p.m. Subject—"Preachers I have heard."

POSTAL NOTICE.—Mails for Durban, Delagoa Bay, Cape Colony, &c., per steamer Umona, via Tuticorin and Colombo, will be closed at the General Post Office, at 7 p.m., on Monday and Tuesday, the 23rd and 24th inst., respectively.

DAMAUN.—On Wednesday there were three deaths at Lower Damaun, one from starvation, one from phthisis and one from cholera—again at Kharewadi where the epidemic is making victims. A soldier doing duty at the police station was attacked with cholera and sent to the Marwad hospital, where he is progressing towards recovery.

REPORTED THEFT.—Haji Oosman Haji Hussain, who resides at Baloo Street, has made a report to the police, that about midnight on Wednesday he retired to rest, leaving his shirt containing a gold chain, with a Turkish coin attached, a pair of gold sleeve-links and currency notes and cash, of the collective value of Rs. 200, on a peg in the room. When he awoke on the following morning he found the shirt with the above articles missing. The room could only have been entered by an ousider scaling the waste-water-pipe, which runs right up the wall of the house.

A DESERTER FROM THE WORKHOUSE.—Before Mr. W. Webb, Second Presidency Magistrate, at the Mazagon Police Court, Edward Burton, aged thirty, a European, describing himself as a fitter, was charged with deserting from the Government Workhouse. On the 12th October, 1898, the accused obtained a day's leave from the Workhouse, saying that he was going out in search of employment and promising to return in the evening. As the accused failed to return, information was given to the police. On Thursday last, the Bombay Police arrested him while wandering about. The magistrate sentenced him to fourteen days' imprisonment with hard labour.

EARLIEST ARRIVAL.—At the Mazagon Police Court, Mooroo Ramji, a Hindu, was charged before Mr. W. Webb, with stealing a copper pipe, of the value of Rs. 8, the property of the Jacob Sassoon Mill, at Soupari Baugh Road. On Thursday morning, about 5 o'clock, the jemedar of the mill, on opening the premises, found the accused in one of the rooms with a copper pipe in his hand. The intruder, on being interrogated, replied that he was a substitute for a man for whom he was searching. His explanation was discred ted and he was given into police custody. It was then ascertained that the accused was an old offender, having been in jail before. Witnesses who was sentenced by the magistrate to six months' rigorous imprisonment.

A FITTER IN TROUBLE.—At the Esplanade Police Court, before Mr. Mahomed Ali Jinnah, acting Third Presidency Magistrate, Rahman Moses, a fitter in the Municipal Workshops, appeared to answer a charge of doing a rash and negligent act, thereby endangering human life. Mr. S. S. Kapadia, pleader, appeared for the accused. The case for the prosecution was that the electric light boiler in the workshop was last washed on 23rd ultimo, when the accused fixed the plugs of the coal-box. One of the plugs subsequently leaked, and when the fireman attempted to fix it by a spanner, it flew off, scalding the man with steam and hot water, which came out of the aperture. It came out in the examination that after the engine was washed and refitted, it was not tested as was the custom. The magistrate remarked that it was only an accident and discharged the accused.

SUSPICION WELL-FOUNDED.—Before Mr. W. Webb, Second Presidency Magistrate, at the Mazagon Police Court yesterday, Mahadoo Hotee, an old offender, was charged with Inspector Williamson with house-breaking and theft of copper and brass pots, a brass lamp, etc., of the collective value of Rs. 4-8, the property of Shema Jipa, a marwaree, who keeps his shop at Girgaum Road. On the night of the 11th instant, a policeman, while going his rounds along Girgaum Road, noticed something suspicious about the complainant's shop. On going up to the place he discovered a large hole made in the wall. On looking through the hole, the policeman noticed somebody in the shop. He lay in wait outside and the accused emerged through the hole, took him in custody. The shop-keeper was then sent for and on his arrival, the place was opened, and it was then discovered that a box and a cupboard had been broken open. A Co... was found lying near the cupboard. The accused had one previous conviction against him. He was sentenced by the magistrate to twelve months' rigorous imprisonment.

A RASH AND NEGLIGENT ACT.—Hector Blan, a European, aged 24, residing at De Lisle Road, amazed a victoria Circle, about eight o'clock on Wednesday evening, and drove to Byculla, where he visited some refreshment rooms and indulged freely in liquor. About H p.m., he got into the gharry at the Byculla Bridge and directed the driver to drive him to Parel. This the driver did, but by the time he got there Blan was found fast asleep in the conveyance. When the driver tried to awake him, he jumped up, and struck the driver. The latter then set off to call a police constable in the meantime Blan lay hold of the reins, turned the horse round and drove off in the direction of Byculla, followed by driver and a policeman. He drove to Jacob Circle, where he got off the box and allowed the horse to run away with the gharry in the direction of Byculla. When the driver and sepoy arrived at Jacob Circle, they discovered that the accused had entered a house there, and that the gharry had gone in the direction of Byculla. A police sowar was sent after the victoria, and he succeeded in finding it at a stand-still on Haines Road. Fortunately no one was injured and the horse and gharry escaped scathless. At the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, Blan was charged before Mr. J. W. S. Dreuup, with doing a rash and negligent act. The magistrate fined the accused Rs. 10 and ordered Rs. 5 out of the fine, to be paid to the gharryvala as compensation.

ALLEGED TRESPASS.—At the Esplanade Police Court, before Mr. J. Sanders Slater, Chief Presidency Magistrate, Mr. Aswadi, solicitor, appeared on behalf of his clients Jagmohundas Vandravandas, Lalubhoy Nagardas and Shanker Pardesi, to argue against a notice issued at the instance of Jamnadas Vasanji Purshotum, calling upon his clients to show cause why they should not be prosecuted for criminal trespass, mischief, and wrongful restraint. Mr. Shapurji B. Spencer, pleader, supported the notice. The complainant alleged that he lived in a house in King's Lane Fort, Jagunbundas being his landlord. Lalubhoy was the landlord's mehta, and Shanker, his man. The rent of the premises was Rs. 43 per mensem, which had been paid up till March last. On the morning of the 27th ultimo he went to his house, when to his surprise he found Lalubhoy and Shanker in front of his room. The lock on the door was broken open and the furniture taken out from the room and thrown in the passage. On being questioned they said that it was done under Jagmohundas's order. Mr. Acworth produced an inventory of the articles made by Lalubhoy and Shanker in the presence of a punch, on which the complainant had himself endorsed a discharge, he having received the furniture. Mr. Spencer admitted the inventory and the discharge and said his client was not quite right in his mind. It was only a technical offence. The magistrate said as the complainant was not quite right in his mind he could not depend on his information. The notice was discharged.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

THE Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a.m., yesterday, give the following results:—

Wards.	Plague. Attacks.	Deaths.	Deaths from all Causes.
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Southern Fort Northern and Esplanade	0	1	12
B Mandvi, Chakla, Umarkhadi and Doneri	1	3	42
C Market, Bhoti Talao, Fanaswadi, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao and Kumbharwada	5	0	33
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpatty, Walkeshwar and Mahalakshmi.....	3	1	11
E Mazagon, Tarwadi, 2nd Nagpada, Jamalpura, Pardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagpada	3	5	35
F Parel, Sewree and Sion.....	1	0	16
G Mahim and Worlee...	0	1	18
Water Division.....	0	0	0
Non-Resident and Unknown...	0	0	0
Hospitals	0	2	35
Total.....	13	13	202
Total plague deaths to date...	78,825	64,597	
Same date last year.....	11	5	86
Cholera	39	38	

PASSENGERS PER S. S. YARRA.

THE following is the list of passengers on board the s. s. Yarra, expected here from Marseilles on Tuesday the 24th instant, at about 9 a.m.:—

Lt Col and Mrs Read	Mr Merwanjee Jejeebhoy
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Mr C R Goodwin	Capt A Carnana
Capt Schaefer	Mr Dayal
Mr F O'Leary	Mr Chondhoy
Mr Alves	Mr Kapat
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THE HINDU UNION CLUB.

HONOUR TO SIR BHALCHANDRA KRISHNA.

THE Hindu Union Club recently entertained Sir Bhalchandra Krishna in honour of the title of Knighthood conferred upon him, at the club premises, in Mr. Sanjgiri's house at Girgaum. In the morning a dinner was held, at which about fifty gentlemen representing various castes were present. The Honourable Mr. Justice Ranade, Rao Bahadurs B. B. Pitale and N. T. Vaidya, Rao Sahebs A. N. Dalvi and Shivalal Moolram, Messrs. D. G. Padhye, H. S. Dixit, S. D. Khote, Vasudev Gopal Bhandarkar, Vishnu K. Bhatavadekar, S.V. Bhandarkar, S. R. Bakhle, M. N. Thakar, N. M. Samarth, Mandanlal Lalubhai Munsiff, Sanjgiri, and Padgaokar, Dr. Kher were amongst those present at the dinner.

In the evening, a meeting was held. In the absence of Mr. Justice Ranade, Mr. V. J. Bhandarkar, as president of the club, occupied the chair. Songs specially composed in honor of the guest having been sung, and an excellent programme of music and recitation having been gone through by three brothers of the Bhugwagar family, Mr. D. G. Padhye, the secretary, welcomed the guest, in a brief speech.

The chairman having expressed his regret at Mr. Ranade's absence, congratulated Sir Bhalchandra on the distinguished honour bestowed upon him. The Hindu Union Club looked to Sir Bhalchandra as one of themselves, and were proud that he had by dint of his sterling public services earned such a high distinction and hoped that he would live long and happily to enjoy that and many higher honors.

Sir Bhalchandra, in replying, said: I am sincerely thankful to the members of this Club for the very kind reception they have given me to-day, and I am all the more grateful to you for the honour you have done me, because you represent the talented portion of the Hindu community, and it is something to have the approbation of gentlemen like you. This is not the first time the club has been good enough to show me its recognition. My valued friend, Mr. Chandavarkar, and myself had the privilege of a party being given in our honour in 1897, when we were nominated to seats in the Legislative Council. The recollection calls to my mind a sad and severe loss we have recently suffered. My esteemed friend, the late Dr. Kane, was president of the club on that occasion, and I well remember the words of warm welcome and approbation he then addressed to me. Dr. Kane was blessed with a large heart, a sweet temper, and an indefatigable capacity for untiring selfless work. There was a ring of genuine high-souled philanthropy in him. He did an immense amount of good in an unobtrusive manner. His last charities show what a useful member our community has lost in him. Gentlemen, am I think of that occasion, and of the kind things that have been said of me to-night, my memory goes back to those who took a leading part in starting this club, and to the good and generous impulses which led gentlemen like the late Mr. Justice Telang to give it all the support they could. They felt that what our Hindu community wanted was

A SPIRIT OF COHESION

a spirit that comes of broadened minds and enlarged hearts; and they thought that something could be done to promote that spirit by institutions such as this. That a want of that spirit has been the cause of the decay of the community is well and forcibly illustrated by the late Mr. Justice Ranade in his work on the "Rise of the Maratha Power"; and there are lessons we may learn from the moral which that book so well teaches. But what do we find among us at present? I am not one of those who think that our public men should not be criticised. Rather, criticism in my view, is the salt of public life. But now that we have met here in a private friendly gathering, permit me to say frankly what I think on this question. May I take the liberty to ask if the criticism to which our public men have been subjected in certain quarters, has not been of a kind to demoralise the community rather than to inform it, enlighten it and enable it to carry itself as a community of thoughtful minds? Was it a good sign of the times, for instance, men like the late Mr. Justice Telang and the late Rao Bahadur Nulkar were misrepresented, attacked, and had motives attributed to them? Do we not find the same treatment meted out to men like the Honourable Mr. Justice Ranade? In fact there are quarters in which it seems to have become an article of faith that directly Government treat any of our public men with confidence, these men should be denounced and misrepresented. It is possible you may not agree with the views such men express, and you may point out where you differ, but there is no occasion for any bitterness, and none for attributing motives. It seems to be thought that there is a necessary conflict between

THE INTERESTS OF THE PEOPLE

and those of the Government. In my judgment these interests are identical in the long run. There may be a difference in the point of view and the understanding of individuals. But the abiding interests of the State and of the people composing the State cannot be divergent or antagonistic. Those therefore who serve the people, serve the State as well, and there is no cause to mistrust them. Nor is it right to treat those whom the Government trust, as enemies of the people. I have observed that this distrust and vilification has been the fate of most of those who have served us as our leaders. The late Dr. Bhau Daji, Rao Saheb Mandlik, Rao Bahadur Nulkar, and Mr. Justice Telang in the past, as well as men like Mr. Justice Ranade in the present, have each had their detraction, misrepresentation, and abuse. Why should this be so? These great and noble men have done their best to serve the community, have unceasingly laboured for the good of the people, and by their work, their character, and their high attainments have won the esteem of the Government and the general public. But in our community there are some who have often done their very best to embitter the lives of such men as I have mentioned. This is a state of feeling which in my humble opinion calls for a change. Our community is lagging behind in many respects, and unless we act with greater cohesion and unity and with greater respect for sane, truthful, and self-respecting criticism, we shall be altogether left behind in the race. I see hopes in the cream of Hindu intellect in Bombay, and I know that you deplore as much as I do, the spirit of

FALSE PATRIOTISM AND FOOLISH CRITICISM

which is being preached in certain quarters. But that spirit cannot last long. I know there is a feeling abroad that this false spirit is being overdone and that we must all strive to get the better of it. I hope we will all strive to do all we can to counteract it. I have spoken freely, because I feel that the time is come when we should not mince matters, but protest against the suicidal policy of those who think they serve this country best when they have misrepresented its public men. The men whom I have named have not indeed personally suffered by the acts of their traducers. They worked on the Bhagwat Gita motto of work for its own sake without regard to its fruit. But it is the community at large that suffers by the disparagement of its best men. It is an evil which is highly injurious in its results, and I appeal to you to guard and to strive against it. I pray you once more to accept my thanks for the singular honour of a dinner entertainment which you have been good enough to give me, and for the patient hearing you have accorded to my remarks.

An adjournment was then made for refreshments which were scrupulously provided. The evening function was largely attended. In addition to those present at the dinner, in the morning there were Messrs. Vijbhukandas Atmaram, Mulji B. Barbhaya, Rao Bahadur G. N. Nadkarni, Damodardas Gordhandas, Raoji V. J. Shankarseth, Khanbahdur G. Desai, R. B. Majmudar, Tribhowadas M. Nathubhai, C. V. Diwan, Vinayek S. Bhandarkar, Chimanlal H. Setalvad, Dr. Popat P. Vaidya and many others. The guests separated at about 9-30 p.m. after enjoying a pleasant evening and giving tiges cheers for Sir Bh

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BOMBAY MARKET REPORT.

FRIDAY EVENING, JULY 20.

2 3-4 per cent. Consols .....£97 15-8—3-16
3 per cent Rentes.....£99 1-2—1-2
3 1-2 per cent. Sterling Loan.....£101—£1
3 1-2 per cent. Govt. Securities...£92 7-8—1-4
Bar Silver in London .....28 1-4 unchanged.
Do in New York.....61 3-8 "
Exchange on London at Paris....25 12
Do on New York.....4 87 1-4 plus 1-4
Discount Bank of England, 4 per cent, plus 1 p.c.
Do Short London Bills 3 7-8 p.c. plus 3-8 p.c.
Do Indian Bank Bills, 4 p.c. plus 1-4 per cent.

ARRIVALS.—Atbara, Ville de Tamative.

The Bank of England's reserve is 38 per cent of its liabilities.

CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS.—Up to the end of last week, the official reports were distinctly favourable, even Gujerat and some places in Khatiawar having come in for a share of rain, but during the present week a change, and a very serious one, has taken place, little or no rain having fallen at the reporting stations, while the moosoon current has become weak in the extreme, and rain in slight quantities may only be expected all over the country.

The prospects in Gujerat and Kathiawar are about as bad as they could be, and unless considerable more rain falls before the end of this month the state of things in those places will be terrible to contemplate.

EXCHANGE.—For Bank Telegraphic and Demand rates are unaltered from last week but with the smart rise in short and long discounts which now stand as high as 37-8 per cent for the former, and 4 per cent for the latter, together with a rise of 1 per cent in the Bank of England rate of interest from 3 to 4 per cent the rate for near credits has appreciably stiffened and whereas Bills could have been placed at 1s. 4 1-8d. this day last week to-day nothing under 1-4 3-16 was accepted for July-August and that by no means a general rate. During the week a moderate supply of Bills has been placed on the market but with so little produce to be exported. Just now the few Banks that are buyers are quite capable of absorbing everything that offers and would gladly take more if they could get them.

Until yesterday there was little or no demand for Bank Demand, ready or forward, Sellers being reluctant to advance the rate for the latter delivery, September to December, to 1s. 4d. However, yesterday more that one Bank was good to sell at this rate and with a strong demand from the Bazaar, principally a considerable amount was placed much more than has been the case for a long time past, and though there was not the same strong demand to-day, still, a fair amount was put through at 1s. 3 31-32d. Telegraphic and 1s. 4d. Demand from September to the end of the year.

Bank Telegraphic, July		1s. 3 29-32d.
Do.	August	1s. 3 15-16d.
Do.	Sep.-Dec.	1s. 3 31-32d.
Bank Demand.	July	1s. 3 15-16d.
Do.	August	1s. 3 31-32d.
Do.	Sep.-Dec.	1s. 4d.
3 Months' Sight Credits, July-Aug.		1s. 4 3-16d.
Do.	later	1s. 4 7-32
Do.	Francs ready	170
Shanghai, 30 days' sight		Rs. 197
Hongkong	do.	145
Japan	do.	" 148 1-2

GOVERNMENT PAPER.—Under the exceptionally depressing news from China during the week and tighter money at home London has weakened considerably, Bombay and Calcutta following suit and a drop of close on 1 per cent., is to be recorded with a considerable amount of business passing. We close this evening at Rs. 94-2 with buyers thereat.

THE MONEY MARKET is just the same as it was last week, Municipal Tanna and Sanitary Bonds and Port Trust guaranteed and unguaranteed Bonds are unchanged at previous quotations.

STOCKS AND SHARES.—The market since our last report has been weak and mill shares have experienced a heavy fall owing to the absence of rain in Gujerat and Kathiawad and the troubles in China and the shares of many mills are unsaleable. Petit's have dropped to 1,470. Alliance shares are quoted nominally 140, China's, Currimbhoy's, David's and Standard's have dropped to 350, 550 250 and 150 respectively. Centrals are quiet at 1,775, while Swadeshis have changed hands at 495. Morarjee's and Shelapur's are quoted 1,350 and 1,775, while Greaves Cotton Mill shares are quiet at previous quotations and owing to more sellers than buyers, business in them is impossible. Jamshed's are quiet at 125, while Queens have declined to 490. City of Bombay shares have changed hands at 525. Kohinoors at 250. Press shares are quiet at previous quotations. Ahmedabad Prantej shares have declined to 640 and business in Tapti Valley shares has been done at 477 1-2.

Bank of Bombay shares have declined to 1,262 1-2 cum dividend, while Commercial's are quiet at 60. Miscellaneous shares are steady. Kemp's have changed hands at 374 and Treachers at 977 1-2; John Roberts and Badhams at 180 and 138 respectively.

Bombay Flour Mill shares are steady at 775. Delhi and Western India Flour Mill shares have changed hands at 171. Port Cannings have declined to 500.

FREIGHTS.—The market has been firm during the week though the volume of business put through has by no means been large after last mail left some 600 tons was booked for Trieste and Venice, 16s. for seeds and 17s. for measurement, Humburg was done at 14s., while for Genoa 10s. was taken. During the week the P. and O. have berthed a steamer with a line of 2,000 tons for Marseilles at 12s. 6d. and it is reported that the B. I. have taken up a steamer on time charter at Rs. 9.

There has been a better demand from Rice ports for Bombay and Charterers finding Rs. 8 hopeless are willing to pay somewhat higher. For timber, Rangoon to Bombay Rs. 15-8 would be paid for late August loading.

With the very smart advance in outward Freights owners are very firm in their ideas, asking as much as 17s. 6d. for one picked port, July loading.

COALS.—There has been abrisk demand for ready and near delivery during the week principally owing to transport requirements but as very little coal is procurable for either position the price has advanced considerably.

JARDINES.—Some 1,500 tons were sold early in the week for near delivery at Rs. 14, 12 and Rs. 15, and another lot of 1,500 tons, July to December, 250 tons a month at Rs. 14.

DHARAMSUR.—While a strong demand exists for this particular coal very little business is practicable owing to its being so well sold this and next year. A resale of 1,000 tons is reported at Rs. 16-4 for near delivery and a sale of 1,000 tons for August delivery at Rs. 16.

BIRD'S.—A line of 6,000 tons is reported, January to December, 500 tons a month at Rs. 13-8., while 1,000 tons ex "Gaekwar" fetched Rs. 13-12.

SEEBPORE.—A sale of 1,500 tons ex "Clan Murray" is reported at Rs. 15 and there are buyers at this rate, sellers asking asking 4 annas more.

MUIR'S.—About 3,000 tons for July shipment is reported at Rs. 14-4.

HEILGER'S.—A resale of 1,000 tons at Rs. 14 is all we hear of.

The following are the quotations for coal alongside:—

	Rs.
Singarini	13 1-2
Deshagar	Bengal 10 1-4
Muir's Navigation	" 14 1-2
Jardine's	" 14 3-4
Seebpore	" 15

WHEAT—Market after a decline owing to the advices of good rains up-country, again closes steady owing to the stopping of the rains. White Delhi, July, 5-5-9—5-6; August-September, 5-7-9—5-8; April-May, Rs. 5-2-6.

SEEDS.—GINGELLY.—Quiet but steady. Rates however merely nominal as this market is of no interest to shippers for want of stocks.

LINSEED.—With a very little business doing owing to scarcity of stuff, market closes quiet at Rs. 10-4-0 bold, and 9-14-0 small.

CASTORSEED.—Has been firm throughout the week and we close with a good demand at Rs. 40-12-0 but sellers asking Rs. 41.

RAPESEED.—Opened firm but the enquiry having fallen off we close quiet at about two annas below last week with very little doing. Brown Cawnpore 7-7, Yellow 7-12.

POPPYSEED.—Also quiet and business is to-day passing at 8-7, say 4 annas below last week.

Receipts during the week:—

Wheat	...	...	...	...	cwts. 39,178
Linseed	...	...	...	...	" 6,541
Rapeseed	...	...	...	...	" 2,988
Gingelly	...	...	...	...	" 864
Poppyseed	...	...	...	...	" 5,997
Castorseed	...	...	...	...	" 10,956

COTTON.—There is very little to report this week, holders continue fairly firm in their ideas and only a small business reported each day. The daily sales have averaged less than 1000 bales, a fair proportion of which has been for export account. The demand for local consumption continues very limited and many Mills are reported to have closed. In New Crops a small business is passing and rates are rather stiffer owing to the absence of rain in Gujerat and Kathiawar and the reported damaged to the American Crop. Receipts for the week have to talled just under 5,000 bales against 13,000 bales same week last year, the total to date being now 873,000 bales or 1,119,000 bales less than for the same time last season. Shipments are 383,000 bales against 955,000 bales last year. Europe has taken just under 100,000 bales and Japan 250,000 bales. The former being 4,20,000 bales and the lateer 126,000 bales, behind last year.

The following are to-day's quotations for fullpressed cotton with the equivalents in sterling, cost, and freight to Liverpool via Canal, without commission, viz:—

	Per Candy. Rs.	Per lb. C. & F.
Bengal, Fine	210	4 9-32
do. F. G	200	4 3-32
do. 15-25 January 1901	192	3 31-32
do. Good	195	4
Bolatee, Fine	215	4 3 8
do. F. G.	210	4 9-32
Khandesh, F. G.	210	4 9-32
Oomra, F. G.	216	4 13-32
S. G. Dearwar, Good	232	4 23-32
Westerns,	216	4 13-32
Broach Good, 15-25 March 1901	228	4 11-16

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed quiet Surats quiet. Manchester was quiet. Total sales 4,000 bales. Sold on speculation and for export, 500 bales. Imports 1000 bales. Surats 100 bales. Spot 5s 31-32d. plus 2-32d. Arrivals closed steady.

Mid.-Uplands in Liverpool

July	July-Aug.	Oct.-Nov.	Jan.-Feb.
5·44	5·40	4·34	4·32
—4·54	—3·04	—3·34	—3·34

In New York—

Receipts at the Ports	3,000 bales.
Exports to Great Britain	7,000 "
to Continent	3,000 "
Mid.-Uplands 10 unchanged.	
Futures, month of August, 9·21—19.	
" " of December 8·18—6	

The movements of cotton to date show the following comparisons with the previous two years:—

Receipts,	1900. Bales	1899. Bales	1898. Bales
For the week	3,413	12,250	2,711
From 1st Jan. to 19 July	540,434	1,650,066	1,513,779
Clearances to Great Britain and Continent,			
For the week	2,349	4,671	7,331
From 1st Jan. to 19 July	89,293	476,966	409,722
Clearance to China, Japan, Calcutta, &c.			
For the week	253	23,801	2,730
From 1st Jan. to 19 July	161,751	357,020	250,369

The comparative imports of Wheat and Seeds are as under:—

	1900. cwts.	1899. cwts.	1898. cwts.
Wheat for the week	39,178	94,279	25,661
Do from 1st Jan. to 19 July	1,221,195	3,881,513	7,053,310
Linseed for the week	6,541	24,382	30,646
Do from 1st Jan. to 19 July	618,440	1,781,089	1,874,614
Rapeseed for the week	2,948	34,572	56,713
Do from 1st Jan. to 19 July	323,078	1,523,863	1,448,038
Gingelly for the week	864	1,662	7,900
Do from 1st Jan. to 19 July	93,859	1,016,205	1,149,978

The clearances of Wheat and Seeds to Great Britain and Continent are as follows:—

	1900 cwts.	1899 cwts.	1898. cwts.
Wheat for the week	.....	99,425	15,848
Do. 1st Jan. to 19th July	8	2,464,700	5,294,351
Linseed for the week	25,853	103,835	33,265
Do. 1st Jan. to 19th July	632,493	1,706,567	1,776,393
Rapeseed for the week	15,756	63,831	2,000
Do. 1st Jan. to 19th July	755,670	1,333,000	1,375,449
Gingellyseed for the week	6,658	8,360	4,563
Do. 1st Jan to 19th July	1,191,710	1,332,491	1,327,652

PIECE-GOODS.—There has been rather a better feeling over the market this week, but only a small business has been doing, for the demand from the districts continues poor. But dealers in anticipation of next season's business have been buying amongst themselves, and from merchants also there has been for ready lots and for goods for early arrival. Rupee prices are much as they were but as the markets at Home are very strong the tendency is upwards.

Current quotations of Local made Piece-Goods and Yarns on Friday, 20th July, 1900:—

PIECE GOODS.

MARKET:—Quiet.

	Inches.	Yards.	Weights lbs.	Net rates per lb. as under.
T Cloths	16 to 18	12 to 22	1 1-4 to 2 1-2	7·00 to 7·50
Do	21 to 31	20 to 24	4 to 7	6·75 to 7·50
Long Cloths	30 to 44	30 to 38	7 to 12	6·75 to 7·50
Do	45 to 55	35 to 38	7 to 12	6·75 to 7·50
Domestics	18 to 27	30 to 66	8 to 16	6·75 to 7·50
Do	27 to 37	6½ to 72	14 to 26	6·75 to 7·25
Chuddars	55 to 94	4 to 6	1 to 3	6·50 to 7·00
Do	54 to 72	5 to 6	2 1-2 to 4	6·50 to 7·00
Plain Dhoties	20 to 27	4 to 7	1-2 to 1 1-4	6·50 to 7·00
Do	30 to 45	8 to 11	1 1-4 to 3 1-4	6·50 to 7·00
Red Bordered Dhoties	20 to 27	4 to 7	1-2 to 1 1-4	7·00 to 7·50
Do	30 to 45	8 to 11	1 1-4 to 3 1-4	7·00 to 7·50
Dhoties with Fancy Borders	30 to 50	8 to 11	1 to 3	7·00 to 7·75
Scout-Gray with coloured linen	24 to 38	24	3 to 6	7·50 to 8·00
Checks	24 to 27	24	3 to 5	8·00 to 9·00
Drills, Grey	24 to 27	40	8 to 13	6·50 to 7·00
Towels and Napkins (Different sizes)				7·00 to 7·50

YARN.

MARKET:—Quiet.

Twist	No.	6s Mule, As. 4	to 4 1-4	per lb.
"	32	" "	4 1-4	" 4 3-8 "
"	10s	" "	4 3-8	" 4 3-4 "
"	12s	" "	4 1-2	" 4 7-8 "
"	16s	" "	4 3-4	" 5 "
"	20s	" "	5 1-4	" 5 1-2 "
"	24s	" "	5 3-4	" 6 "
"	30s	" "	6 1-2	" 7 "
"	40s	" "	7 1-2	" 8 "

Receipts of various growths of Cotton at Bombay to date compared with the corresponding periods in the previous season:—

Growths.	Yesterday. Cwts.	Yesterday. Bales of 392 lbs.	Total for the week.	Total to date (in Bales) since January 1st. 1900.	1899.	October 1st. 1899.	1898.
Khandeish	...	1	156	66860	339612	110385	417073
Barsee and Nagar	..	...	93	31310	114661	41610	123325
Berar	...	...	18	75581	447761	127729	611245
Total Oomras	..	1	270	174081	901834	280324	1141543
Hinguoghat	...	...	...	5648	9432	7845	12320
Dholleras	...	...	...	25936	272203	53371	314937
Broach	...	...	...	1860	119417	49978	121830
Compta & Dharwar	...	...	1229	57183	105778	70603	117170
Westerns	...	70	675	22799	10155	22-99	1-727
Bengals	...	...	187	180103	21553	332265	256591
Sind	...	113	113	18329	6331	24106	6631
Persian	...	2	6	1041	194	11931	259
American	...	...	...	14847	2139	18713	2872
Egyptian	...	...	...	7653	253	11229	2933
Other Sorts	...	385	115	4117	19	5511	22
Total	...	571	3143	540434	1650366	873863	1992328

Summary of daily arrivals of produce into Bombay:—

	Total Friday's Receipts	Total Receipts for this week	Total Receipts since 1st Jan 1900	Total Receipts for same period in 1899
	cwts.	cwts.	cwts.	cwts.
Wheat	4204	39178	1231195	3881643
Linseed	1106	6541	518440	1781089
Rapeseed	46	2948	323078	1523863
Gingellyseed	2	864	93859	1016805
Poppyseed	1932	5997	395299	494627
Groundnuts	34	1016	35539	150610
Castorseed	1900	10956	315509	648348
Rice	97297	2383?5	9696572	20-4753
Myrabolams	576	3362	a218375	b.....

a Since 1st April, 1900.
b Not recorded.

Messrs. Tata & Co. inform us that according to the Telegraphic advice received yesterday from Hongkong, the fortnightly sales of Indian yarn at that place are reported at 1,000 bales and Japanese at 300 bales exchange on Bombay Rs. 150. Yarn market generally firm.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, JULY 19.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed quiet, Surats quiet.
Good Bhownagar 4 13-32.
The Manchester Market has been quiet.

2 3-4 per cents. Consols	97 15-16
3 per cent. Rentes	99 1-2
3 1-2 per cent. Sterling loan	103
3 1-2 per cent. Rupee papers	62 7-8
Bar Silver	28 1-4

The Bank of England Returns for the week ending yesterday show the following results:—Total Bullion £34,360,000 Decrease £200,000; Public Deposits £10,500,000, Increase £1,700,000; Other Deposits £38,900,000, Decrease £3,100,000; Other Securities £28,400,000; Decrease £1,500,000; Notes and Gold £18,900,000, Increase £100,000. The Bank's reserve is 38 per cent. of the Liabilities.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

COLOMBO, JULY 20.

Prins Regent-Luitpold, from Suez, arrived.

The Messageries Maritimes Co.'s s. s. Yarra, left Aden for Bombay on Thursday the 19th instant at 3 p. m. and she is expected here on Tuesday the 24th instant at about 9 a. m.

The Florio Rubattino Company's steamer Bisagno left Singapore, direct for Bombay, on the 19th inst.

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(Compiled for despatch by the Weekly Mail to Europe.)

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DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

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OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTH.

HADOW—June 23, the wife of Malcolm M Hadow, of Debrugarh, Assam, of a daughter.

DEATH.

FRENCH—July 14, at Madura, Maude, younger daughter of John French, Esq, aged 23 years and 6 months.

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS.

*** ALL communications intended for publication in our columns should be addressed to the Editor and not to any individual member of the staff.

The Bombay Gazette

SATURDAY, JULY 21, 1900.

THE military censors in South Africa during the present war did not endear themselves to the special correspondents. Mr. Julian Ralph complains that special news handed in by him for immediate transmission, was shown to other correspondents who were asked if it were likely to be authentic. They testified to their belief in it by instantly telegraphing it to their papers in England, the censor making no difficulty about passing the news. The original telegram did not go for days. Mr. F. A. Mackenzie in "Harper's Magazine" gives many instances; amongst others this: A correspondent sent in a message:—"Heavy Boer attack. Guns rain shell fire on position. Severe losses both yesterday and to-day." The message reached the editor in London in this form:—"Heavy rain yesterday and to-day." The only justification for censoring military messages is the necessity of preventing information leaking out that might be of use to the enemy. When a heavy attack had been delivered, and heavy shell fire continued for two days there is at least a strong probability that the enemy, who delivered the attack and maintained the shell fire, had all the information on those points that he required. The war correspondent of these latter days has been brought under military discipline. He must get a pass from the War Office before joining, and it is very difficult to obtain. The number is limited and applications are refused without reason assigned. The correspondent who gets the pass has the status of an officer. He dines at mess and is allowed to draw forage for his horse. In return for these privileges he comes under martial law. He is only allowed to go where the Commander pleases. Not only his telegrams but his letters transmitted by mail are read and revised with a free hand. A letter of Mr. Ralph to his wife was opened and read. The columns of the journal for which the correspondent writes, are carefully scrutinised, and if the journal is found to be publishing anything "detrimental to the army," the special correspondent has to go home. This, says Mr. Mackenzie, is a very good plan—for the Generals. "It silences criticism and suppresses ugly facts. Every correspondent in each message has the terror of the censor over him. He knows that if he writes anything in the least critical"—well, the result might be very inconvenient. It has been shown over and over again that the censorship throughout the campaign quite exceeds its ostensible purpose—that of keeping back information from the enemy. There was an evident intention that the correspondents should be made to understand that it was their patriotic duty to represent everything in the rosiest hue to the British public. Checks were ignored or minimised, successes magnified and honoured. Our losses were glossed over; those of the enemy were always heavy, he has been routed three times a week from November to the present day.

The home-keeping tax-payer had been told that the war would be over in a month, if it lasted so long. The Boers could not fight, they could not shoot, they had no heart in the war. It was necessary to come up to that ideal. To do them justice the censors so managed it that anything in a different key never arrived or was bowdlerised out of all resemblance to the original. Sir W. MacCormac who was present at Colenso has told us that the notification from the Staff was that provision should be made for 200 wounded; the number brought in before nightfall was 800. The strength of the enemy was underestimated until he proved to be successful. His losses were magnified. Sir William was the first to tell us that from what he had seen the Boer returns were very nearly correct; their losses were not so heavy as was supposed. Commandant Lambton who did such splendid work at Ladysmith with the quick-firing naval guns, tells his countrymen, that the Boers will get over the bitterness of defeat when they remember that for one Boer ten Britons fell in this campaign. His constituents, who had read the papers, knew better and cried out "No! No!" The naval hero and the distinguished surgeon did not speak with the terror of the censor before their eyes. The Boers who were invisible in their skilfully prepared trenches suffered little from rifles aimed at the unseen, and less from the shrapnel, which flew harmlessly overhead. That numbers, resources, generalship and downright hard fighting must win in the end was patent to everyone. In the July number of "Harper" Mr. Easton tells us of what he saw "Inside the Boer Lines." He does not spare the Boers. There had been two battles of Dundee, which were claimed as decisive British victories. On the Saturday afternoon the Boers observed undoubted signs of confusion in the British camp when rain and fog obscured the view. But when Sunday came "the Boers spent the morning praying, reading favourite chapters from their water-soaked Bibles, and singing psalms with religious fervour that made them wholly oblivious to things of earth. . . . Since it had not been their custom to labour on Sundays in times of peace, they spent practically the first Sunday of the war in the presence of a defeated enemy, and the most critical time of their operations in Natal, unmindful of the most ordinary military precautions." It did not occur to them that General Yule might take advantage of the fog to abandon Dundee and retire to Ladysmith. They only learned that the town was evacuated when a small Commando arrived by mistake at the Red Cross tent where British surgeons were attending to a large number of wounded. The Boers thought they had fallen straight into a British trap; the surgeons were afraid they had come with no good intentions. It is clear that the true history of the war has yet to be written, and then we shall hear what we shall hear and there will be naught to make us ashamed, except that most undesirable tendency to hysteria which the vivid emotions of the last nine months have disclosed. It may prepare us for the necessity of abandoning some propounced ideas as to the course of events in South Africa if we read, perhaps, with some qualifications, what Mr. E. E. Easton has written.

When the wandering Commando brought the news that the British had disappeared from Dundee, Yule being then ten miles distant, Commander Lucas Meyer started in pursuit with a lightly equipped body; but it was too late. Then came the news of the battle of Elandslaagtee on the Saturday telling that 750 Boers had been attacked by six or eight thousand British and after desperate fighting had been practically annihilated. When it was told and retold that the 5th Lancers had ridden over the field driving their lances into the wounded, the indignation aroused gave a new intensity to Boer resistance. Several Commandos pledged themselves to one another to give no quarter to the Lancers and proceeded at once on secret quests to fulfil their vows of vengeance. Many Boers swore never to surrender but to die fighting whatever the odds. Up to that time there had been scarcely a thought of enveloping and cutting off General White in Ladysmith. The larger commandoes without waiting for the usual organisation, at once set out and driving in the outposts occupied all the kopjes that had until then been in British occupation. In Dundee the dead and wounded were still lying about. A hundred Hindu bearers were bringing in the wounded, amongst whom was General Symonds. A telegram from Lady Symonds congratulating him on his victory on the previous Friday arrived on the Monday, and came into the hands of General Joubert who was much affected and wrote a sympathetic letter asking Sir George White to convey his condolence to the bereaved lady. Our evacuation was decided on in desperate haste. Very important official documents were left behind. A field state gave the number of troops in Dundee as 5,600 enlisted men—cavalry, infantry and artillery. Portfolios marked "Secret Military Information" gave the different routes for the invasion of the Transvaal and the Free State prepared by Major Grant, Captain Melvill and Captain Gale in 1896 immediately after the Jameson raid. One document was entitled "Reconnaissance Reports of Lines of Advance through the Free State," drawn up by Captain Wolley of the Intelligence Department in 1897, with a memorandum by General Buller that it was to be kept secret. Obviously documents of this confidential nature would not have been abandoned, says Mr. Easton, by English officers, if the troops were not in a pitiable state of confusion. They were in desperate straits on Saturday, when the fog supervened and put an end to the fighting. This observer speaks highly of General Joubert as a kindly humane man, and as a strategist. But he was wholly out of place as Commander in the field. He took thought not only of his own troops but of those of the enemy. The Boers were desirous of carrying Ladysmith by assault in the early days of the siege. These were occasions that promised success; but Joubert held that Ladysmith was not worth the lives of five hundred Burghers! The old General explained certain regrettable acts attributed to the enemy by the theory that such acts were natural on the part of irresponsible soldiers seasoned in numerous wars against savages—precisely the explanation vouchsafed on the other side for similar acts attributed to the Boers. Joubert added that he was sure the superior officers in the British service would not countenance acts of barbarity committed by their troops; in which he was undoubtedly right.

LIEUTENANT-GENERAL SIR FRANCIS GRENFELL, who, it is reported, is to command the British Forces in China, is the ex-Sirdar of the Egyptian Army, who led those troops to victory in the campaign of 1897-98. His appointment, if it be true, will be very hard luck on General Gaselee, whose opportunity for distinguishing himself seemed to have arrived. But Sir Francis is an officer of wider experience and his appointment may obviate the necessity of sending Lord Roberts to the Far East after he has accomplished all he is expected to do in South Africa. Born in 1841, Sir Francis purchased a commission in 1859 and by 1882 had become full colonel. His career of real service, however, did not begin until 1875, when he accompanied the Expeditionary force to Griqualand, which resulted in its annexation to Cape Colony. In the Kaffir war in 1877 he was A.-D.-C. to Sir Arthur Cunningham in Command at the Cape and subsequently he did duty both as D. A. A. G. and Q. M. G. He served against the Galekas and was twice mentioned in despatches. Then the Zulu War broke out and he distinguished himself at Ulundi, next serving on the Staff of Sir Evelyn Wood in the Transvaal War. No sooner had he left South Africa than he was called upon to serve with Lord Wolseley in Egypt, and when it was decided to re-organise the Khedive's Army Sir Francis was appointed Sirdar, a post in which Lord Kitchener was to succeed him. While in command of the garrison at Suakim he defeated Osman Digna and completely dispersed his forces. Since then, besides commanding the forces in Egypt during the last campaign, he has served as Inspector-General of Auxiliary Forces and of late has been resting on his oars as Governor of Malta.

SHIPPING has a separate section to itself

TELEGRAMS.

THE CRISIS IN CHINA.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL SERVICE.)

THE GOVERNOR OF HONGKONG AND LI-HUNG-CHANG.

LONDON, JULY 20.

Sir Henry Blake, the Governor of Hongkong, vainly endeavoured to persuade Li-Hung-Chang to remain at Canton.

Li-Hung-Chang said that he was re-called by the Empress-Dowager and the Emperor, and not by Prince Tuan.

He hoped matters would be arranged with the Powers in order to avoid war.

Li-Hung-Chang has proceeded ostensibly to Shanghai, from which place he will go to Peking.

JAPAN AGAINST SENDING MORE TROOPS TO CHINA.

LONDON, JULY 20.

The sentiment is growing in Japan against sending more troops to China and the Government is hesitating in the matter but another division is now proceeding.

(REUTER'S ORDINARY SERVICE.)

STATE OF WAR IN THE RUSSO-CHINESE FRONTIER.

JOINT AGREEMENT PROPOSED BY FRANCE.

FOREIGN MINISTERS SAFE ON 8TH JULY.

LONDON, JULY 20.

Russia has declared the frontier portions of the Amur district to be in a state of war and the Government is taking military measures on a large scale.

A circular of M. Delcasse, the French Foreign Minister, proposes an Agreement for the joint action of the Powers in China.

Li-Hung-Chang, in an interview with Sir H. Blake, the Governor of Hong Kong, said he had definite news that the Ministers were safe on the 8th instant at Peking.

The transports Uganda and Zibenghla have proceeded to Taku.

GENERAL GRENFELL COMMANDS IN CHINA.

It is reported that Lieutenant-General Sir F. Grenfell will command the British Forces in China.

[Sir Francis Grenfell served as Aide-de-Camp to Sir Arthur Cunynghame in the operations of 1877-78 in the Transkei; also as Staff Officer to Colonel Glyn, commanding a field force in the Transkei, and was present in the engagement with the Galekas and Gaikas at Quintana Mountain on the 7th Feb. 1878 (mentioned in despatches, Brevet of Major). Served in the Kafir war of 1878 as Deputy Assistant Adjutant and Quarter Master General at Headquarters. Served in the Zulu war of 1879 as Deputy Assistant Adjutant General at Head-quarters and was present in the engagement at Ulundi (mentioned in despatches, Brevet of Lt. Colonel, medal with clasp). Served under Sir Evelyn Wood in the Boer war of 1881 as Assistant Quarter Master General. Served in the Egyptian war of 1882 as Assistant Adjutant and Quarter Master General on the Head-quarters Staff, and was present at the engagements of Tel-el-Mahuta and Kassasin (9th Sept.) and in the battle of Tel-el-Kebir (mentioned in despatches, Aide-de-Camp to the Queen, medal with clasp, 3rd class of the Medjidie, and Khedive's Star). Served with the Nile Expedition in 1884-85 on the lines of communication (mentioned in despatches, C. B., and clasp). Served in the Egyptian Frontier Field Force in 1885-86 and was present in the engagement at Ginias in command of a division (mentioned in despatches, K. C. B., and promoted to 1st Class of the Medjidie and 3rd Class of the Osmanieh) commanded the troops during the operations near Suakin in December, 1888, including the engagement at Gemaizah (mentioned in despatches, clasp) Also commanded the Nile Field Force in 1889 at the engagement at Toski (mentioned in despatches, promoted Major General for distinguished service in the field, and clasp).]

ARRANGEMENTS IN BOMBAY.

The Government Dockyard officials are very busy at Prince's Dock in getting the six vessels, now lying at the wharfs, including the hospital-ship, ready. The Zamania, which arrived on Thursday evening, has taken up her berth at the "N" shed, where she is scaling. A preliminary survey was made and the work of fitting her as a transport has commenced. She sails on or about the 24th with the 14th Sikhs.

The Upada was dry-docked yesterday, and the necessary work is satisfactorily carried out. She will probably leave for Calcutta on Monday next where Cavalry regiment will embark.

The Nurani left Merewether Dock, and is now lying at the "Q" shed, receiving coal on board. She is timed to sail to-day for Calcutta. She has also been fitted to carry a Cavalry Regiment. A number of water tanks have been shipped on board for the use of troops and animals. The Commissariat officials are very busy, shipping the stores and provisions on board the Nankin for the voyage and reserves for the Cooly Corps, besides she takes five lakhs of pounds of fire-wood. She will sail to-day for China with the Cooly Corps on board comprising of 2 officers, 2 sergeants, 2 native officers, 1,068 coolies, 5 private to followers, 2 horses, and 2 bories. She also carries "C" Section, No. 54, Native Field Hospital Corps of Guides, consposing of 2 officers, 1 sergeant, 4 native officers, 3 non-commissioned officers and men, 65 public and 2 private followers, and 2 horses. The names of the Officers are as follows:—Captain Boddam, 5th Gurkhas; Lieutenant Goldthorpe, 3rd Punjab Cavalry; Captain W. B. Turnbull, C Section, N. F. Hospital; Captain P. C. E. Lockhart, Corps of Guides.

The Ula has been berthed in "C" shed, where her cargo is rapidly being discharged. A preliminary survey will be held by the combined Marine and Military authorities to-day, and then the work of fitting her to convey cavalry will be commenced. The s.s. Muttra, of the British India fleet, has been chartered to carry the No. 2 Cooly Corps, which was detained on account of cholera having occurred amongst the men. The Mutira may be expected in Bombay about the 16th instant, and one more vessel will require to convey No. 4 Cooly Corps.

The s. s. Lawada, of the B. I. S. N. Co., which has been chartered by Government to convey troops to China, arrived in harbour yesterday from Zanzibar.

THE ENGLISH IN PEKIN.

In a letter to one of the Foreign Office Secretaries, dated Pekin, May 13, Sir C. MacDonald said he had just recovered from pneumonia, but no mention was made of any fears of an uprising of the Boxers or of a general revolt against foreigners. Happily for himself and his friends, said the "Pall Mall Gazette" a fortnight ago, Mr. Henry G. O. Boxtrosside, Secretary of the Legation, is away from Pekin. Lieutenant-Colonel George F. Browne, the Military Attache, is there, so far as can be learned, and so also are the second Secretary, Mr. Herbert Guy Dering, who, by the way, is the son of Her Majesty's Minister at Mexico; Mr. Henry Cockburn, the Chinese Secretary; Mr. J. W. Jamieson, Commercial Attache; and Dr. Wordsworth Poole, the physician. Dr. Poole is a distinguished man. He was principal medical officer in the Niger expedition last year. It would also appear that the honourary Attache, Mr. Clive Bigham, the accountant Mr. Berthold G. Tours, and the constable, W. H. Beurn who has been there for years, are also in the capital.

At Pekin, too, is a considerable number of student interpreters, who may be regarded as consuls in the making. The latest Foreign Office list of assistants and students is as follows:—Second-class Assistants—Berthold G. Tours and B. Twyman; student interpreters—S. Barton, D. Oliphant, W. P. Thomas, R. T. Tebbitt, J. T. Pratt, L. G. Cloete Graham, G. W. W. Pearson, W. P. M. Russell, H. I. Phillips, C. C. Augustus Kirke, A. J. Flaherty, W. M. Hewlett, H. H. Bristow, H. Porter, C. A. W. Rose, G. P. Peachey, J. G. Hancock, R. Drury, L. H. H. Barr, H. Warren, L. Giles, and N. Ewen Townsend.

Of this number Sydney Barton and W. P. Thomas are known to be away on special duty, but the others presumably are at Pekin. Messrs. Tebbitt, Pratt, Graham, Pearson, and Phillips are also away.

At Tientsin is Mr. William Richard Carles, who has just been appointed Consul-General. There are also there Mr. Harold Frederick King, Mr. Michael Hughes, and Mr. Frederick Edgar Wilkinson second-class assistants, Mr. L. A. K. Mackinnon and Mr. J. L. Smith, student interpreters, likewise reside at Tientsin.

HEAVY GUNS FROM INDIA.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT).

SIMLA, JULY 20.

Some of the heavy guns required to make up the siege battery, which is to be sent to China, will be drawn from India instead of the whole of them being sent from South Africa, as was first arranged.

Lieutenant Vale, Indian Marine, accompanies the China Force as Assistant Transport Officer.

Five miles of light railway are being sent from India with the China Force.

The Zebeegia with General Gaselee and Staff left Hongkong for Taku on the 18th inst., calling at Wei-Hai-Wei, on its way.

The Nuddea with the 2nd Brigade Staff and a wing of the 24th Punjab Infantry, left Hongkong for Taku on the 18th instant.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL SERVICE.)

THE CALAMITIES OF INDIA.

LONDON, JULY 20.

In the House of Commons last night, Lord George Hamilton said that the British Government and the people fully appreciated the loyalty, courage and resignation of the people of India in facing the most grievous calamities.

His Lordship further said that the Press Sedition Laws in India, which Sir W. Wedderburn desired should be repealed, were identically the same as the English laws.

(REUTER'S ORDINARY SERVICE.)

THE SHAH OF PERSIA.

The Tsar entertained the Shah at a banquet yesterday.

THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF IN INDIA.

In the House of Commons last night, Lord George Hamilton, in reply to a question, said that the Commander-in-Chief in India would be appointed before long.

THE ECLIPSE STAKES.

LONDON, JULY 20.

The following is the result of the race for the Eclipse Stakes:—

Diamond Jubilee ...	1
Chevening ...	2
Skopos ...	3

THE MAILS.

ADEN, JULY 19.

The P. and O. Company's s. s. Arabia, with the homeward mails of the 14th instant, arrived here at 11 p.m., to-day.

THE VICEROY'S COUNCIL.

TWO IMPORTANT NEW BILLS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, JULY 20.

At the Viceroy's Legislative Council to-day, Mr. Rivaz in introducing the Limitation Act Amendment Bill, explained that the ruling of the Madras Courts had shown that sixty years' limitation allowed to the Crown in cases where prosecutions had to be instituted against individuals encroaching on public roads did not apply to cases in which the Crown had made over charge of these roads to local bodies. Such bodies, therefore, had to institute proceedings within twelve years, a period which owing to the insidious nature of encroachments was found insufficient. The present Bill, therefore, was to increase this period in the case of local bodies to thirty years, which it was thought would be sufficient.

Introducing the Bankers Books Bill, Mr. Raleigh explained that the Imperial Parliament had long recognised the necessity of permitting banks to submit certified copies of entries in their books in cases in court to save the inconvenience of having to produce the books themselves and these principles had been extended to India. In a recent decision of the Courts in Calcutta, in which the Delhi and London Bank was concerned, the view had been taken, however, that the definition of Company adopted in the Indian Act concerned, did not include banks registered in London, but doing business in India. The present Bill, therefore, was introduced to rectify these defects. The Bengal Chamber had suggested that the Bill should extend the same provision to foreign banks doing business in India, but Government had decided it would be best to leave such banks to be included individually by notification which the Bill empowers Government to issue.

The meeting then adjourned to the 10th August.

THE BANKERS' BOOKS EVIDENCE ACT, 1891.

THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT.

In a communication, dated Calcutta, 13th instant, Mr. W. Parsons, Secretary of the Bengal Chamber of Commerce, says:—It will be within the recollection of members of the Bengal Chamber of Commerce that, on the 1st May last, the Committee of the Chamber submitted a Memorial to the Government of India, praying for an amendment of the Bankers' Books Evidence Act, 1891, whereby the provisions of that Act might be extended to the books of every Bank or Banker, who shall, for the time being, carry on business in British India as a Branch or an Agent of any Bank or Banker carrying on business beyond the limits of British India. I am now directed by the Committee of the Bengal Chamber of Commerce to circulate, for general information, copy of letter No. 971, dated 5th July, from the Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department, from which it will be seen that the Government of India have decided to undertake the legislations asked for.

The following is the letter referred to:—

No. 971.—Dated Simla, the 5th July, 1900, From—Mr. J. P. Hewett, C. S. I., C. I. E., Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department (Judicial) To—The Secretary, Bengal Chamber of Commerce Calcutta.

I am directed to refer to your letter, dated 2nd May, 1900, with which you forward a Memorial addressed to His Excellency the Viceroy by the Bengal Chamber of Commerce, praying for an amendment in the Bankers' Books Evidence Act 1891, so as to extend the provisions of that Act, to the Books of every Bank or Banker, who shall for the time being, carry on business in British India as a Branch or an Agent of any Bank or Banker carrying on business beyond the limits of British India.

In reply, I am to say that the Government of India have decided to undertake legislation extending the provisions of the Act to all English and Colonial Banking Companies. The Government of India are of opinion, however, that a foreign Banker of Banking Company having a branch business in British India might, as a rule, be fairly admitted to the benefit of the Act, but they think that in such cases Section 3 provide the more convenient procedure.

The section alluded to reads as follows:—

Bankers' Books Evidence Act, No. XVIII of 1891, Section 3. The Local Government may, from time to time, by notification in the Official Gazette, extend the provisions of this Act to the books of any partnership of individuals carrying on the business of Bankers within the territories under its administration, and keeping a set of not less than three ordinary account books, namely, a cash-book, a day-book or journal, and a ledger, and may, in like manner rescind any such notification.

THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA'S RESOLUTION ON PLAGUE MEASURES.

The Government of India have to-day issued a most important resolution on plague in which they frankly admit that it is impossible to stamp out the disease in India, though they think much can be done to reduce it. They lay down that only such measures are to be taken as can be enforced without hurting the prejudice of the people. They absolutely forbid employment of informers, compulsory examination of corpses, the shutting up of people in infected houses, and the prevention of their escaping from infected areas by means of cordons or other devices. The Government of India also lay down that house-to-house visitation, compulsory notification of sickness and grant of rewards for information as to the existence of sickness should rarely, if ever, be resorted to. They attach, however, great importance to preventing the conveyance of infection from India to Europe, and think that this will continue to be effected by means already in force at ports of embarkation.

THE YUNAN SURVEY PARTY.

News has been received that Captain Ryder, in charge of the Yunan Survey Party, arrived at Chungking on the Upper Yangtse-Kiang river about the 30th ultimo on his way to Shanghai. He should by this time have nearly reached Shanghai. Major Manifold and Captain Davies are presumably with him.

THE INDIAN NURSING SERVICES.

Proposals are under consideration of the Government of India, for materially increasing the strength of the service of the Indian Army Nursing Sisters with the British Nursing Sisters for British troops.

CHOLERA IN KABUL.

SIMLA, JULY 20.

Last reports from Kabul describe the cholera epidemic to be very bad, indeed, as many as 175 deaths from it occurring daily in the city. The Amir and his officials are doing everything possible to combat it, and his Highness is somewhat relaxing the usually stern punishments he inflicts for petty crime in view of the trouble from which the inhabitants are suffering. Rumour, however, to the effect that he is releasing a great number of prisoners to save them from the disease is apparently without foundation. The British Agent is still at Peshawar, but leaves very shortly for Kabul.

GAZETTE OF INDIA NOTIFICATIONS.

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT.

Captain Webb-Ware, Political Service, is granted three months' leave.

A notification is published consolidating the rules relating to offices of patel and patwari in the Berars.

BERAR COMMISSION.

Mr. Elliott is confirmed as Judicial Commissioner and Mr. Batten as Sessions Judge, while Mr. Yasin Khan and Major Garrett move up as Deputy Commissioners.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Captain Wooldridge, 24th Bombay Infantry, is reposted to military employ.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Captain Hoghton, 1st Bombay Infantry, becomes Deputy Assistant Adjutant General District Staff, Bombay Command, vice Aitken, resigned.

Captain Garraway, Station Staff Officer, Nusseerabad, is confirmed as Deputy Assistant Adjutant General, vice Wilkinson resigned.

BOMBAY SUBORDINATE MEDICAL SERVICE.

J. Sampson becomes Captain and S. Pais Lieutenant, vice Scroggie retired, while Captain Dias is permitted to retire.

THE SALE OF ARMS AND AMMUNITION.

Revised rules will shortly issue regarding the sale of arms and ammunition to officers and soldiers.

BOMBAY COMMAND ORDERS.

POONA, JULY 20.

The services of Captain Furguson, 20th Hussars, are placed at the disposal of the Government of Bombay for temporary employment on the personal staff of his Excellency the Governor of Bombay.

Brevet-Major Price, D. S. O., Deputy Assistant Adjutant General, is posted to the Aden District.

Captain Harvey, Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General for Musketry, is posted to the 3rd Circle, Quetta.

The Lieutenant General Commanding the Forces is pleased to make the following appointments:—

6th Bombay Cavalry—Captain Lincoln, I. M.S., to the officiating medical charge, vice Captain Whitecome, I. M. S., on field service to China.

4th Bombay Rifles—Captain Sealy, I.M.S., to officiating medical charge, vice Captain Bennett I. M. S., on sick leave.

5th Bombay Light Infantry—Captain Kukday, I. M. S., to medical charge, vice Captain McDonald, I. M. S., transferred to the Civil Department.

17th Bombay Infantry.—Lieutenant Ticker, I. M. S., to officiating medical charge, vice Captain Ricketts, I. M. S., on field service to China.

23rd Bombay Rifles—Captain Badnis, I. M. S., to officiating medical charge, vice Captain Knapton, I. M. S., transferred temporarily to the Civil Department.

25th Bombay Rifles—Lieutenant Anthony, I. M. S., to medical charge, vice Captain G. H. F. Leuman, I. M. S., transferred to the Civil Department.

Eriapura Irregular Force—Lieutenant Robinson, I. M. S., to officiating medical charge, vice Lieutenant Majoribanks, I. M. S., transferred temporarily to the Civil Department.

Lieutenant-Colonel Le Mottee, R. A. M C., was in charge of current duties of the Principal Medical Officer, Quetta District, from 14th May to 8th July as an additional duty.

Under instructions received from the War Office it is notified that 2nd-Lieutenant Pritchard on first appointment has been posted to No. 4 Company Eastern Division Royal Garrison Artillery and he will be sent out to India to join the above-named unit for duty early next trooping season.

Under instructions from the War Office it is notified that Major Maclaughlin, 1st Shropshire Light Infantry, will be retired on the 11th August under provisions of Article 516 of Royal Warrant for Pay and Promotion, and he is permitted to proceed to England on or after that date, travelling at public expense.

The undermentioned Officer has been permitted by the Secretary of State for India to return to duty:—Lieutenant Shonbridge, 9th Bombay Infantry.

The undermentioned Officer is granted leave to proceed out of India, on medical certificate, under leave rules for Staie Corps; leave to have effect in India from the date of being struck off duty till the date of sailing, the specified period to count from the date of leaving India:—Major Caulfield, Staff Corps, 2nd-in-Command 10th Bombay Light Infantry for one year; pension service, twenty-first year, commenced on 13th April.

The undermentioned Warrant Officer is granted leave to proceed out of India on medical certificate:—Conductor Marquis, Ordnance Department, for six months.

The undermentioned Officers and Warrant Officers have been granted leave of absence:—Royal Garrison Artillery—Lieutenant Colonel Harvey, Commanding Royal Artillery, Karachi, from 10th August to 31st October 1900, on private affairs in India; Royal Horse Artillery—Major Lambert, E Battery, for 4 months, on urgent private affairs, out of India; Army Veterinary Department—Veterinary Lieutenant Wilson, for 4 months, on medical certificate, out of India; Indian Subordinate Medical Department—2nd Class Assistant Surgeon De Souza, for 6 months, on medical certificate, in India; Indian Subordinate Medical Department—4th Class Assistant Surgeon Pettigrew, for 3 months, on medical certificate, in India.

Extensions of leave have been granted to the following officers:—20th Hussars—Captain Stannus from 29th June to 28th July, on urgent private affairs; Royal Garrison Artillery—Captain Macgowan, No. 13 Company Eastern Division, up to 15th December, 1900, on medical certificate; Royal Irish Regiment 2nd Battalion—Lieutenant Lawrence, from 17th June to 15th August; 12th Bombay Infantry—Captain Hazelgrove, for 4 months, on medical certificate; 28th Bombay Pioneers—Lieutenant Duncombe, for months, on medical certificate; Indian Medical Service—Captain Cleveland, for seven days, on private affairs.

CHOLERA AT MUDHOL.

DEATH OF A MARATHA CHIEF.

(FROM THE STATE KARBHARI.)

JAMKHANDI, JULY 20.

The Rajesaheb of Mudhol died of cholera at 3 a.m. yesterday (aged 40 years) after only 16 hours' illness.

Another correspondent's wires:—The Chief of Mudhol was a keen sportsman, had several race horses, and was a good supporter to Western and Southern Turf Clubs. Horses which were entered for to-morrow's first extra meeting and the Poona Races have been scratched.

DACOITIES IN HYDERABAD.

Four of the military men concerned in the Narsingi dacoity have just been sentenced by the Special Magistrate appointed by the Nizam's Government for the trial of Thaggi and Dacoity case each to ten years' rigorous imprisonment. These men, with others, were answerable for most of the serious dacoities committed in the immediate vicinity of Secunderabad and Trimulgherry Cantonments. Two of them, along with the two sended trooper, whose admissions assisted the police materially to detect this and other dacoities are Northern Indian men from Ulwar. The fourth, also an up country man, is an ex-sepoy, of the Hyderabad Contingent Infantry station ed at Bolarum. These are still other charges pending against these prisoners which are under investigation by Mr. Stephenson, detective officer. The Hyderabad Contingent authorities at Bolarum question the right of a Moglai Magistrate to try British soldiers, and have referred the matter to higher authority, meanwhile declining to deliver up the accused belonging to the Contingent to the Hyderabad Police.

TABLE TALK

BY WALTER BESANT.

LONDON, JUNE 29.

Some benevolent person has sent me the Papers of the Horticultural College at Swanley. This college is open both for men and women. Considering the congested state of all the professions and callings by which we gain a livelihood a new profession is certainly worth attention. This profession or calling is that of gardener. One may become a market gardener or a flower gardener or a fruit gardener. At the Swanley College there is a two years' course of residence, including lectures and teaching on scientific gardening, with practical work day by day. The annual cost of this course is £80, which is tolerably inclusive. It looks as if, with travelling expenses, clothes, laundress, and books, a student could get along on £120 a year. This is about the same as the cost of Newnham. It is not everyone who can afford to pay £120 a year for one of his daughters, but it should be looked upon as an investment tolerably certain to bring in a profitable return. For instance, if a lady student with a diploma were to set up as a flower gardener in a London suburb, she would most certainly, other necessary things being present, be taken on instead of one of the florist's men. The ordinary pay for a gardener is 5s. a day. If a lady gardener were able to charge 7s. a day, which would not be too much, considering the difference in results that would certainly follow, she would be able to attend, say, to one garden which would take two days a week, two gardens which would take one day a week, and four smaller gardens wanting a gardener for half a day in the week. If you think of the immense number of suburban gardens which would amply repay the cost and trouble of skilled attention in a harvest of lovely flowers you will realise what an opening this presents. The only difficulty is about cutting the grass; a lady gardener would have to keep a boy for this purpose. There is another objection. In bad weather, with frost and snow, a gardener can do nothing except in the conservatory. Would a house which has no conservatory agree to pay a lady gardener all the year round? If not, then a higher charge would have to be made. As regards the income possible, it is certainly not large. A lady gardener could not very well make more than £100 a year. But there could be no objection to her having her own conservatories and carrying on a regular florist's business, in which case we know not how great an income she might make.

We are certainly not too proud to learn from America. Therefore I have to thank a correspondent for the following information. In New York they have parks, one of which, the Central—I have not seen more than one—is very much more beautiful than any public park in London. Now the Americans are jealous of their parks; they do not trust the artistic taste of their Park Boards. They have therefore appointed, first of all, a landscape architect, to whom is intrusted everything that is done in or for a park. Next, because a landscape architect may make blunders in taste, they have created an independent body, called the Fine Arts Commission, which can veto any construction proposed by the Park Board. The commission consists of the Mayor, the president of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the president of the public library, the president of the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences, together with three painters, three sculptors, three architects, and nine members not artists, all nominated by the Federation of Artists' Societies. It seems rather too large a body, but the principle is eminently sound. Now, the London County Council is a most reasonable body; it does endeavour to do its best for the public. Cannot the Council be approached with the view of appointing such a commission to superintend the parks and open spaces of London?

The experiment tried, successfully, by Count Rumford in Munich about the year 1790 has been told over and over again. Yet I seem never to meet anyone who knows what it was exactly that he did. The city was filled with beggars, idle and dissolute vagabonds; men and women who could do no work, who had never done any work, who were familiar with every form of crime; they were the despair of the respectable people; it seemed impossible to get rid of them. But Count Rumford did it. To use his own words: "To make vicious and abandoned people happy it has generally been supposed necessary first to make them virtuous; why not reverse this order? why not make them first happy and then virtuous?" This was an inspiration. He took steps, therefore; he provided places where the people should be made happy first. On New Year's Day, which was the day peculiarly set apart for almsgiving, Count Rumford, with the aid of the soldiers as well as the civil powers, arrested every single beggar in Bavaria—they were all out in the streets hats off, hands out—and packed them off to clean, comfortable houses or barracks, where they were washed, fed, clothed, and treated with kindness. Only they were not allowed out any more until they had learned a trade, and had shown that they mean to practise it. Of course, at first they were uneasy and suspicious. According to Count Rumford himself, who makes no mention of failures, the success of the measure was complete. Bavaria was cleared in a single day of beggars, and they never reappeared.

How would it do in this country? Our casual ward, which is the most wicked thing that we allow at this day, creates beggars. Did you ever see a casual ward, my reader? I have. It was on a Saturday. A wretched man was sitting alone in a white cell with a bed in it. There was a pile of stones that he must break; his clothes were taken from him, and he was dressed in prison garb; he would stay on till such time on Monday as his task was done. For food he had bread, gruel, and water. He was a young country lad. Do you think this young fellow will ever again apply to the authorities for a night's lodging? Not while he can beg or thieve. How if we had made that man happy first, and trusted to his changed condition to inspire him with virtue? The method cannot be done by paid servants; they would become beadles and prison warders; there would be the horrid jangling of those chains called prison rules: the cells would be lonely whited sepulchres. The thing might be done by us, but it must be done by unpaid personal service; and there is only one organisation that can do it. This society has already begun Count Rumford's plan; it takes men by the hundred and puts them on a farm in the country; it treats the men with kindness and makes them happy; it teaches them a trade. With this society there are failures as well as successes, but the principle is the same as that of Count Rumford. The president and director of the society is one General Booth; the place is in Essex; and if you feel inclined to learn for yourself what the law of kindness can effect, and how happiness may be made the handmaid to virtude, take the train to Leigh, in Essex, and see for yourself. I wish you would all go, and thus bear witness to the methods of Rumford and Booth.

It was many years since I had looked through Horace Walpole's letters. Now it is certainly one of the privileges of the Greybeard to read over again and refresh his memory with things whose first acquaintance he made before the days of work. One would easily get tired of Horace. His gossip, his amazing power of scandal, the ridicule which he lavishes on everybody, his literary ambitions and his aristocratic fear of being taken for a mere author, his conversational powers, his curious lack of feeling for the other sex, but above all things, the absolute selfishness of his life and pursuits, make him delightful as an occasional companion but impossible as a friend. His pretended contempt for authors, poets, and scholars seems due partly to the feeling that they were a ragged tribe, and partly to a certain irritation because the world would go on thinking so much about them, though they were so needy, and though they had hardly a gentleman, except Dryden, among them. Here is a charming bit about Dr. Johnson for instance.

"Have you got Boswell's most absurd, enormous book? The best thing in it is a *bon mot* by Lord Pembroke"—of course, because he was a noble lord. "The more one learns of Johnson, the more preposterous assemblage he appears of strong sense, of the lowest bigotry and prejudices, of pride, brutality, fretfulness, and vanity. And Boswell is the ape of most of his faults, without a grain of his sense. It is the story of a mountebank and a zany." A mountebank is a person who declaims or sells things from a stage; a zany is defined by Webster as a buffoon. Which of the two was Johnson? Walpole knew nothing about Johnson and never belonged to any literary set at all. Once, he tells us he dined with Garrick, in whom he found too much mimicry, even at his own table. Once he had a chance of helping Chatterton and neglected it. When it was found out he grew excessively angry and ashamed, and, indeed, keeps on disclaiming the charge of neglect till one feels that he does really protest too much. As regards Johnson, in other places he goes out of his way to vilify him. He says: "I have no thirst to know the rest of my contemporaries, from the absurd bombast of Dr. Johnson down to the silly Dr. Goldsmith." And again, "Johnson was an odious and mean character. His manners were sordid, supercilious, and brutal, his style was ridiculously bombastic and vicious." It is remarkable and suggestive that in the whole of Boswell's "Life" Walpole is only mentioned once, and then not as being present, but described by Johnson as a collector of trifles and an interesting writer. There are a great many notes and references to Walpole in Boswell's Life, but Walpole seems never to have conversed with Johnson or to have met him personally.

I find a very neat anecdote—one of a thousand—in Walpole. A man who was marrying an heiress was asked how long his honeymoon would last. "Honeymoon?" he replied. "Don't call it a honeymoon; why, man, it is my harvest moon."

Every summer the Americans organise great pic-nics—huge parties of a hundred thousand—when the people are lodged in wooden houses by the shores of a lake; they have bands of music, concerts, excursions, fishing parties, and they make pretence—I suppose it is mostly pretence—to intellectual improvement and solid study. With this object, which is surely a laudable part of the holiday, if change of thought is a holiday they get lectures on serious subjects. I don't suppose that they learn much, except respect for learning, which is in itself a very great thing. But they enjoy the holiday hugely, and they flirt a great deal, and they get engaged a great deal, and I hope that in most cases the course of true love runs smoothly for them. Very well. I have long thought that this kind of holiday might very properly be introduced among us. And now I learn from the *St. James's Gazette* it has come, or is coming immediately. The National Reading Union is going to have a summer meeting for a week in July—the place Edinburgh; the serious part of it to be supplied by half a dozen well-known scholars and the party is to be housed in the residential halls of the University. Those who would like to join may address the Secretary of the National Home Reading Union, 42, Chapelfield-road, Norwich, for the papers. If the meeting is a success it will be imitated by a hundred societies and sects and institutions next year. Therefore I hope it will be a success.

In a recent case tried in the High Courts of Justice it appeared that one of the parties concerned believed that a certain person was exercising an unholy influence over her. We have put the clock back, then, for three or four hundred years. There are people, we learn, who believed that they have lost their will and their freedom, and that they are under the thraldom of another person's will, to do, to think, to speak in accordance with his will communicated at any distance; a thraldom from which there is no escape; a thraldom which would render life intolerable a thing not to be believed, or accepted, or accounted even possible, unless we believe in diabolic possession and the mastery of the evil principle. This is the kind of fruit which we may expect from the prying curiousity which is continually endeavouring to lift the Veil, and to learn something about the other world, which dabbles with that unknown and dangerous force which we call magnatism. One thing has been proved over and over again, the wreck of the nervous system, the loss of will, the loss of self-reliance, which follows this unholy traffic. There are merchants, I have read, in America—perhaps also here—who never conclude any business without consulting the "spirits." What kind of spirits, one may ask, are those who lend themselves to giving money-making tips? What kind of respect for the Veil and the things behind it can be preserved by people who go to the souls of the dead and ask their aid in getting dollars? And what kind of mental wreck must be that person who believes that any other man or woman can control his actions and order his thoughts and words? Do not these things carry their own condemnation with them? Yet it seems as if all the superstitions were returning to us: the astrologer, the palmist, the fortune teller are flourishing again. I expect divination to lift up its head once more. Rabelais enumerates forty or fifty different methods of divination. One, I am sure, is quite a good as another. For my own part, I think I shall bes come a professor of divination by the head of a donkey; or, for I am not quite decided, of divination by the smoke of wood fires.

CYCLING AT HOME.

LONDON, JUNE 29.

The first of the annual N. C. U. championships has been held on the Grangetown track near Middlesborough and attracted a capital gate. Paul Albert, who rode so brilliantly last year, was an absentee, his professional duties keeping him employed at home in Honover. The one mile amateur championship brought out a fairly good field, four heats having to be decided before the bell rang for the final which was won by W. A. P. Edmonds. The finish between T. Childs and W. A. Edmonds furnished a tremendous struggle, fought right up to the tape, the Bristrol man only getting home by inches. E. Smith, like Childs, also a Sunderland man, was third. The quarter-mile amateur championship was awarded to A. S. Ingram, Sid Holloway who was first across the tape, being disqualified for boring Ingram in the most flagrant fashion.

The professional events were the one mile, quarter-mile and five miles, and with Gascoyne and Jack Green in search of coin rather than kudos on the Continent, the matters were more open than they might otherwise have been. The one mile was won by E. W. China; Platt-Beds whom it was strange to see divorced from pacing aid, being classed second, and H. B. Howard, third. The little Cantabrian, and marvel, made a bold bid for victory, but the ill luck which has steadily pursued him throughout the season still dogged his wheel. His victory would have been immensely popular with the crowd. The quarter-mile fell to J. Camp H. Reynold and H. B. Howard being respectively second and third. The five miles was secured by H. B. Howard, F. W. China and Harry Reynolds scoring second and third places. Camp, the winner of the quarter-mile being among the unplaced. Betts, apparently, used poor judgment in riding a 110" gear.

With quite painful frequency the cycling papers are chronicling serious accidents arising from the use of brakeless machines. When will riders learn wisdom? When brakes were clumsy and inefficient contrivances there might have been some excuse for not carrying one, but now that the tendency of the manufacturers and agents is to furnish properly equipped brakes that are absolutely reliable, one wonders at the singular perversity of human nature that allows a man to discard that which not only conserves his energies, but may, at the critical moment, save his neck. The probability is that in the majority of instances the brakeless machines are old machines turned out in the days when the now effete and unsatisfactory plunger brake held the field. Very few modern machines are turned out with indifferent brakes.

One is lost in wonderment in contemplating the spirit which animates a person to take delight in the destruction of the familiar warning boards which are erected for the welfare and protection of the whole cycling community at the summits of those hills conceived to be dangerous to the rider. And yet one has only to pass through the country to find that many of the metal plates upon which the warning erstwhile stood have been wantonly broken. Unfortunately, metal is not proof against the assaults of the brick-heaving yokel, or the village urchin, and these attacks upon the property of the guardians of the public highways may be taken as an indication to destroy anything which strikes the bucolic mind as an innovation. There is no more conservative creature under heaven than your village born clod-hopper, and to this fact many cyclists can testify.

The municipal mind is at times capable of quite alarming flights of genius, especially when making suggestions for the improvement of that which it only discerns "as, through a glass darkly." The latest brilliant master-stroke is associated with a meeting of the Croydon Council. A friend of the wheelman had drawn attention to the danger arising through a road descending suddenly upon another running at right angles, and this one a main road which happened to be so narrow as to allow of little room to turn with anything like pace on the machine. Inexperienced riders frequently came to grief, and for the safety of these the Council was asked to consider a remedy. This was the opportunity for a budding philanthropist, who got up and solemnly averred that in his judgment the remedy lay in keeping the bottom of the decline perpetually coated with roughly broken "gganite"! Needless to say one or two more enlightened members perceived that the remedy would be worse than the disease.

It is stated that the authorities responsible for the maintenance of Kew Gardens for the public have passed a cycle-shed to be built near the main entrances and this will be available throughout the season, a charge of twopence a mount being the figure at which the cyclist may frustrate the machinations of the dishonest. With the great facilities for spending public money which are in the hands of Councils and Corporations, and the laudable craze for building costly baths for swimming, &c., it is a little remarkable that at these excellent institutions no provision is made for safe-guarding the bather's wheel whilst he is immersing in the cooling tide. And yet a good weather-proof lock-up shed within the enclosure that invariably surrounds those institutions could be inexpensively erected and would soon return a handsome profit on expenditure. This is one of the little things left undone.

In years to come, when all the old prejudices against the wheel have been decently interred, and more enlightened views predominate upon our provincial Benches—for in the fulness of time the fossilised relics which still remain will have been gathered to their fathers—it may be possible to obtain intelligent views as to what constitutes "riding to the public danger." How a good pace on a bicycle can be conceived to come within this category, when the road is wide and open, and there is no public to endanger, is difficult to understand. Occasionally a more enlightened Justice of the Peace than the rest is seized with this view, and breaks away from the trammels and traditions which bind his belated brethren, to the consternation of all the "velophobists" who still linger in the land. But these common sense decisions are like angel visits, few and far between.

There is a singular perversity found among certain makers. Take one case of free wheel clutches. Many of the devices, excellent in other respects, are made without any provision for lubrication. And since these are usually constructed to be fairly dust-proof, it stands to reason that any attempt to introduce a lubricant into their hidden anatomy is fraught with difficulty. No doubt it is a difficulty which may be overcome by setting the machine on one side and carefully instinuating oil through the crevices. But this is a tedious process, and one that should not be rendered necessary through the want of foresight of those responsible for the mechanism. It is these little and perfectly avoidable worries which cause much vexation of spirit. Trifle it may be, but it is a strange characteristic of humanity that it is the trifles which cause the maximum of annoyance. Hence, a philosopher has written, "trifles kill."

C. Pease, the well known Irish crack, has been riding very well of late and looks like having another good year. On the 14th June he won the ten miles championship of Ireland, and a couple of days later, the half mile championship of Leinster, riding Dunlop tyres, as usual.

With reference to the regulations which direct that officers and others travelling under Military Rules shall travel by the cheapest route, the question has been raised whether, in determining the cheapest route for an officer travelling on duty at the public expense the number of servants and quantite of baggage should be taken into account, or the cost of the baggage of the officer only considered. It appears that if servants and baggage were taken into consideration the cheapest route, would in some cases, not be the shortest route. It has, therefore, been ruled that the cost of the passage of the individual only, shall decide the question of which is the cheapest route.

THE EPIDEMIC OF CHOLERA IN BOMBAY.

ARRANGEMENTS TO COPE WITH THE OUTBREAK.

Within the past fortnight the outbreak of cholera in the municipal lim

GOLF AND GOLFERS.

THE final for the "Jubilee" Commemoration Tournament in connection with the Royal Liverpool Club, and decided at Hoylake on Saturday, supplied a real good match, which was not completed until the very last hole had been played. Singularly enough, both the finalists received the same allowances—7 strokes—from the two scratch players, Messrs. Hilton and Graham, and the close nature of the encounter went a long way to prove that they are a very level pair indeed, for although Mr. Wilson had the best of the argument on the outward half in which he played excellent golf and held the useful lead of two holes yet on the homeward journey his golf deteriorated and his opponent quickly drew level by winning the tenth and eleventh holes, whilst he had further an excellent chance of taking the lead at the twelfth as a topped drive severely handicapped Mr. Wilson. His opponent, however, obligingly missed two shots running, with the result that he actually lost the hole to the "Bushes," once more missing his tee shot, and as Mr. Wilson followed this up with another similar mistake to the "Field," Mr. Crowther had no difficulty in taking the lead. The "Lark" was halved, as was also the "Dun," Mr. Crowther having to thank good fortune more than good play for the half he obtained at this hole, seeing that his approach jumped the hazard guarding the green. Halves were still the order of the day at the seventeenth, Mr. Crowther in consequence standing in the comfortable position of scoring one. He, however, gave his opponent every chance of squaring matters at the last hole, which he played very indifferently; but Mr. Wilson in attempting too much with his second was bunkered, and finally could only halve the hole in an indifferent six. On the homeward journey the play was not of the same high standard as had been exhibited on the outward half, but this probably made things all the more interesting, as a match in which one or other of the competitors—or even both of them—is playing almost faultless golf, lacks the excitement of an uncertain game in which both competitors are frequently making mistakes. The memorable encounter between Messrs. Tait and Low in the penultimate round of the championship in 1893 was a notable instance, as, notwithstanding the fact that neither player was exhibiting anything approaching first-class form, as level figures proved, nevertheless a more exciting or interesting match has never been produced, even in the championship.

The contest for the championship of Midlothian whichtook place last week on thegreen of the Mortonhall Club, does not appear to have received the encouragement and support a high-sounding contest involving such a wide golfing area might be expected to have got. The entries were neither numerous nor representative. Mr. J. M. Williamson, the holder, defended his title, but not with success, as although he qualified in the preliminary score play, he fell an easy victim to Mr. Mitchell in the first round of the subsequent stages. The latter, who is a comparatively unknown player outside of his own immediate district followed up this success by accounting for Dr. L. W. M'Pherson in the final round thus gaining a title the value of which is difficult to estimate, but one which, if it does not meet with better support in coming years might be eliminated with advantage from the calender of golfing events. I have played on many links during my golfing career, but I have never come across putting greens which, in my opinion, quite equalled those on the links of the Mortonhall Club, over which the Midlothian championship was decided. It is a fine sporting little course, perhaps a bit on the short side, but probably quite long enough, except for trained athletes, on account of the mountaineering which has of a necessity to be indulged in. In a manner the links bear a great resemblance to those of the Windermere Club, though they are longer and more difficult.

In contrast to the Midlothian event, the Championship of Yorkshire, decided at Redcar last week, always causes a flutter of excitement amongst the devotees of the Royal and Ancient game in the Broadacred shire. Mr. Frank Woodhead, who has so frequently held the honour, decided not todefend his title, but his absence can hardly be said to have detracted from the interest of the meeting, especially as it had the effect of leaving the probable issue much more open than would have been the case had he entered the lists. In the preliminary play under medal rules the honours may be said to have been divided between Messrs. M'Carthy and Lassen, two players who were very much fancied for the event. Whereas the latter headed the field at the conclusion of the day's play, the former returned much the best individual round; in fact, he established a new amateur record for the course, with a total of 98. It was unfortunate that Messrs. M'Carthy and Steel had to meet early in the draw, but one or other had to bid good-bye to championship honours at the conclusion of the second round, and this time it happened to be the former; a close match, in which at one time he had all the worst of the argument ending in favour of the Bradford representative by one hole. His success was short-lived, however, as in turn he succumbed to Mr. Guy Crosland.

In the meantime, Mr. Lassen, one of the most improved players in the county had been working his way to the front, and he reached the final round without any great difficulty. Then a battle-royal ensued between the representatives of the Ravenscliffe and Huddersfield clubs as represented by Messrs. Lassen and Crosland. At the conclusion of the first round Mr. Lassen led by one hole, while in the second round the play was just as level, the match eventually resting all even with one to play. Then Mr. Lassen came away with a sensational piece of golf, as he actually holed his approach for a two, a great stroke, backed up by good fortune, which finally settled the pretensions of Mr. Crosland, who is to be commiserated with in having to succumb to such a "tourde force" after holding his opponent for 35 holes. To those who encountered Mr. Lassen on the occasion of the championship at Sandwich his success will not come in the light of a surprise, as I know more than one player who came away from that meeting with a very greatly enhanced idea of the merits of amatuer golf in Yorkshire, Mr. Crosland, like Mr. Lassen, has never taken such a prominent position before, but it is only in recent years that he has taken seriously to the game, and his improvement has been rapid and consistent. Before leaving the subject of the Yorkshire championship meeting, a word of congratulation must be extended to the Ilkley Club on anexing the team championship, as it was this club who conceived the idea of the competition, inasmuch as they originally presented the prize for play amongst clubs in Yorkshire for competition on their own green.

Although it is somewhat early to form any definite conclusion, I hear there is every prospect of a capital field for the "Dundee Evening Telegraph" Cup, which is to take place at Elie, on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, the 26th, 27th and 28th of July. The trophy has been held by several distinguished golfers in the past, notably Mr. George Wilkie, of Laven, and the three representatives of the St. Andrews Club, Messrs. Auchterlonie, Lawrence John Robb, Lyeamee Auchterlonie, and Fred Mackenzie, the last named of whom is the present holder of the cup, and who will have to work hard if he decides to defend the title. Competitions such as these are more than useful in developing, the merits of the younger aspirants to fame, as it gives them anopportunity of gaining an experience which they could not otherwise obtain, except in the Amateur Championship itself; and experience is half the battle in golf, as many young players have found out.

I notice that several correspondents express an opinion that a meeting between Taylor and Vardon over a number of first-class greens would provide a match exceeding in interest even that between Vardon and Willie Park jun., last year. In a sense this might be so, but event would lack the international aspect which was undoubtedly a great feature in the historic encounter at North Berwick and Ganton; whilst in addition to this it must be remembered that previous to the match Vardon had never had an opportunity of trying his strength against Park. He had successfully driven the other professionals out of the field by a succession of decisive victories, which left no doubt wathever as to his decided supe-iority. Park alone remained, and when the opportunity did arrive he treated the Musselburgh man just as he had done the rest. Taylor, by his phenomenal performance in the championship, proved that he is an even better golfer than he was when he annexed the championship in 1894 and 1895, while in addition to this he has been the only golfer who has really tackled the Ganton man in hand-to-hand encounters during the past year. It is idle, however, speculating on the prospects of such an encounter, as Vardon, by this time, is probably well on his way to the land of the stars and stripes, with the object of once more gathering in the Yankee shekels. By the way, I hear that Vardon has signified his intention of taking part in the open championship in the States, which takes place shortly. It is not improbable that he may improve on his second at St. Andrews on the coming occasion.

The Balfour and Houldsworth competitions have this year ended in the success of the long handicap brigade, the better-class players, in the foursome competition in particular, completely failing to do themselves justice. In the competition for the Balfour Cup on Saturday Mr. Holden once more made good his cleim to be considered the best golfer in the district, by handing in a fine score of 75, which, however, availed him nothing as one of the representatives of the Eastwistle Club, Mr. H. P. Wynne, upset all calculations by returning a card marked 82, less 7—75, and the cup in consequence has at last departed from the custody of the Bowdon Club, who had held it in all the three previous years by the aid of Messrs. S. W. Gillett, A. G. Higg, and W. G. Clegg, who, peculiar to say, all started off the scratch mark.

Liverpool, June 28. H. H. HILTON.

INDIAN CROP PROSPECTS.

N. W. P. INDIGO.

THE first forecast of the indigo crop of the North-Western Provinces and Oudh for 1900 reads as under:—

Area.—The total area sown with indigo up to the middle of April this year according to a preliminary statement received from the village accountants amounts to 1,88,645 acres as compared with 1,51,532 acres returned last year; while the indigo area which received canal irrigation up to the 31st May last has been reported by the Irrigation Department at 1,02,233 acres, as compared with 1,09,048 acres a t year. The increase in the former area amounts to 24 per cent and in the latter to 48 per cent Dll important indigo growing districts in the Doab and in the east of the province show substantial increases in the area sown this year; elsewhere the variations which have taken place since last year are slight. The comparatively favourable rates obtained last year account for the increased area. The following table compares the area of the present season with the area of the past year for each revenue division.

Condition.—Owing to opportune winter rainfall the season for sowing was favourable and the seed is reported to have germinated well. The supply of water for irrigation was also sufficient. Some injury to the crop was, however, caused by hot winds in some localities; while great damage by caterpillars has been reported from Ballia and Gorakhpur. Prospects on the whole continue favourable; and an early advent of a moderate monsoon will further improve them. Taking 100 to denote a normal crop the estimates of the condition of the crop in the last week of June varied generally from 75 to 90; the average condition reported for each district will be found in the appendix. The character of the monsoon has not yet been declared and the estimates of the condition of the crop may undergo some modification according as the rainfall is favourable or not.

AN ITALIAN TRAGEDY.

A TERRIBLE tragedy took place at Naples on June 24. Six years ago, a military medical student, who was born at Naples of a good Siana family, fell in love with the daughter of Marquis Antonio Costa, and married her shortly after. The young couple left for Pisa, where the husband, Luigi Mariano Santoro, was stationed with his regiment, having obtained the rank of lieutenant. At first the young couple seemed very happy, and their union was blessed by the birth of a lovely little girl, who was christened Antonietta. But soon slight quarrels began to occur, the husband complaining that his young wife, who, brought up in luxury, was quiet unused to the care of a house and family, neglected her duties. After the birth of a second daughter, named Margherita, the mother's health was impaired, and her husband, having begged to be transferred to Naples, was ordered to join the 13th Cavalry Regiment, and arrived in this city last September. Madame Santoro being now in constant communication with her father and sisters, who reside here, complained to them that her husband was cruel to her, and that she could no longer bear to live with him. Meanwhile last May, the Santoros took an apartment on the third storey of Palazzo Campese, in Via Satriano while Marquis Costa occupied one in Palazzo Sciarra, almost directly opposite. Madame Santoro, feeling herself strong in the near neighbourhood of her family resolved secretly to demand a legal separation from her husband on account of cruelty and incompatibility of character. On the 15th of this month, aware that her demand had been received, she one morning left her home while her husband was out, and, taking her two little girls with her, went to live with her father.

Lieutenant Santoro did all he could to persuade his wife to come back, but in vain. Though a very proud man, he bent himself to the most humble supplications, but his wife was inexorable. Then he tried to frighten her by appplying to the police, saying that his wife had left him, taking everything with her. The magistrate tried his best to conciliate the couple but his efforts proved useless. Lieutenant Santoro was in despair, and, bring very fond of his children, now respectively three years and two years old, begged to see them. This, too, was refused, and the father, speaking to a friend, exclaimed, "I shall end badly. It is impossible for me to live without my children!"

Yesterday, at 6 a.m., Lieutenant Santoro left his house, and rode with his regiment to exercise. At 11 a.m., he returned home, and told his orderly, who was very affectionate and attentive, to go to his wife at her father's house opposite, and beg her to favour him by sending him their two little girls, as he wished to take them a walk in the Villa. The wife answered that she was alone in the house, and must consult her father before she could send the children. Again the lieutenant sent to insist, and then a third time. Probably he hoped by this means to induce the mother to return also. The third time Madame Santoro resolved to send the children, and dressed them all in white. The orderly took the little Margherita in his arms, and Antolnetta by the hand, and led them to their father, who with tears in his eyes, kissed and embraced them fondly. Then he sat down and wrote a note, giving it to the orderly to take to his wife. The note ran,

"Margherita,—I give you a quarter of an hour to return to me; till now I have been patient. If you do not dress yourself and come back immediately with the soldier, you will only see your children and your husband again—in heaven. I am quite determined—Luigi."

As soon as the orderly had left with the message Lieutenant Santoro locked his house door and barricaded it with a large box and big chest. When Madame Santoro received her husband's note, she read it, and then said to the orderly: "Tell my husband that I would not return to him even dead."

Lieutenant Santoro was waiting for the answer on the balcony of one of his windows overlooking the public stairs of the house. As soon as the orderly appeared he called to him to know the answer. Having heard it, he told the orderly that he did not need him any more, and retired from the window. The orderly going down the stairs, saw, through the last window, the two children falling one after another from above. He called the house-porter and they rushed upstairs. They had just reached the lieutenant's door when they heard a pistol-shot. Outside, in a small garden below the lieutenant's windows, the servants in the palace, after hearing the screams of children, saw the two little girls fall. They were picked up, dead, lying at about two yards distant from each other. They had been thrown out of the window with great force. Meanwhile, the orderly and the porter tried to force the door of the apartment, but, not succeeding, sent for the police and a workman, who broke open the door. Crossing the ante-room and a narrow passage, they found the body of Lieutenant Santoro lying on a sofa. His right hand lay on his breast; his left was stretched along his side; his revolver was lying in a corner. A ball had passed through his brain and struck against the wall close by. He had died instantly. A neighbour ran with the horrible news across the street, and found Madame Santoro at the piano singing while her sister was playing the accompaniment. The man's face must have told her the worst, for he had no sooner exclaimed, "Signora, have you seen this terrible misfortune," than she fell down in a faint. When she recovered, she was only told that her husband had killed himself, but she must have guessed the rest. She roved all over the house with a strange smile on her face, asking questions and murmuring incoherently. Later on, she was asked by the Chief Magistrate why she wanted a separation, and replied that her husband had a very violent character, and had even thrown a lamp at her. No letter or other indication was found in the house of the suicide. All day long his military friends hastened to his apartment. The funeral of his poor little victims and of himself took place on June 25.

VIEWS ON CHINA.

LI AND BISMARCK.

A talk between Li and Bismarck is printed in Mr. Sidney Whitman's "Conversations with Prince Bismarck," just published by Messrs. Harper. The volume is an English translation chiefly of selected portions from Von Poschinger's works. Mr. Whitman has given us a collection that reveals all sides of Bismarck's character as man and diplomatist, and in the peace of his country home as well as in the storm and stress of public life.

In Prince Bismarck's album there is a page, dated the 25th June, 1896, and covered with an inscription that might have been the work of a spider dipped in ink, and then left to follow its nose over the page. The inscription is in Chinese characters, and was written by Li Hung Chang in commemoration of his visit to the ex-Chancellor at Friedrichsruh. It says: "Having heard with admiration of the greatest statesman of the present century for more than thirty years, it has given me inexpressible pleasure to see his Highness Prince Bismarck at his seat in Friedrichsruh during my Extraordinary Embassy in Europe, and to be able to enter my name in this book as an expression of this happy event." The Secretary to the Embassy also made an entry in the Prince's album. Said he, "I congratulate myself on belonging to this Embassy, which affords me the opportunity of seeing the Bismarck of the East in the company of the Li-Hung-Chang of the West." This doesn't seem quite the thing. With all his politeness and composure, Prince Bismarck may have felt a little staggered at being named the Li-Hung-Chang of modern Germany. But certainly the talk between the two made it clear that a Li-Hung-Chang Bismarck was at that time badly wanted in China. He is still more badly wanted now, when, according to reports from the East, the great Chancellor's visitor has been summoned from Canton to Peking, in order that he may assuage, if he can, the Boxer tempest which the Empress and the reactionaries have unloosed. Much of Li's talk with Bismarck four years ago is as opposite to the situation in the East as if it had been uttered yesterday. "I hoped your Highness would give me some advice," Viceroy Li began, after introductory compliments; "what must we do to reform China?"

"I cannot judge about that from this distance," was the Prince's reply.

Li continued: "How can I be successful when every one at home, the Government and the country, puts difficulties in my way?"

Bismarck: "One cannot make headway against the Court. Much is possible if there is some sterling stuff in the highest places if that is wanting, nothing can be done. No Minister can rebel against the will of the Sovereign; he can only advise and carry out orders."

Li: "But if the Monarch is accessible to all other influences, and these latter always gain the upper hand? It is the daily petty difficulties at Court which lame a Minister's power."

Bismarck: "Tout comme chez nous. I often experienced the like earlier in my career, even from a feminine quarter."

Li: "Yes; but yours was such an exceptionally energetic temperament. Did matters always go off smoothly?"

Bismarck: "Well, always with the ladies."

Li: "But how is one to carry out the Sovreign's behests in critical times."

Bismark: "Only with the support of an army. The army may be small quite small, perhaps only 50,000 strong; but it must be good."

Li: "We have the men, but training is lacking. Since the Tai-Ping rebellion, which again gave strength to the present dynasty—that is, thirty years ago—nothing has been done towards training. I have struggled against this standing still, but in vain. I have now seen the best army in the world, the German. If even in the future I cannot employ those means which are at my disposal as Viceroy, I shall yet aim at realizing what your Highness has advised; we must reorganize, and that with Prussian officers and according to Prussian pattern."

Bismark: "It is not essential that the army should be distributed in all parts of the country. It is only necessary that one should have the army at hand at any moment and communications should be opened up so that the army can be moved quickly and easily from one point to another."

At the end of their conversation Li remarked, despondently, that he had "achieved nothing," and that he could do "little more in the face of the obstacles" he found. "You underestimate yourself," was Bismarks encouraging reply. The Empress-Dowager has dusted poor old Li's yellow jacket more than once since then. It seemed at one time as if she would proceed to the last and most dreadful extremity of docking his Excellency's long finger-nails and still longer queue. The Chinese army is no better organized to-day than when the Viceroy visited the ex-Chancellor. But one or two incidents since the Boxer outbreak have tended to prove that Chinese soldiers, trained by European officers, may be trusted in a popular outbreak even when the rioters are their own countrymen.

It has now been arranged that a Welsh Choir shall visit the Paris Exhibition this month, and as no other British musical association has yet decided to give concerts during the Exhibition period, the occasion promises to be one of special interest. It will be a composite choir, about 100 voices being supplied by the Royal Welsh Ladies' Choir, while the Barry Glee Society will furnish fifty men, and the famous Rhondda Glee Society fifty more, the complete force being therefore of about 200 voices. This party will also form three smaller choirs, who will each sing certain partsongs under its own conductor, the ladies, by the way, being trained and led by a lady musician, namely, Mrs. Clara Novello Davies. The concert is fixed to take place in Paris on July 23.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE B I S N Co's s s Lawada, 2,124 tons, Captain T J Grier, arrived in harbour yesterday from Zanzibar, &c, with a general cargo and 6 passengers.

THE Bombay and Persia S N Co's s s Haidari, 1,562 tons, Captain A Erikson, sailed yesterday for Antwerp, with a general cargo and Mr Carruthers as a passenger.

THE B I S N Co's ss Bhundara, 2,215 tons, Captain J H Stafford, arrived in harbour yesterday from Zanzibar 26th June, with a general cargo, 20 mules and 6 syces.

THE B I S N Co's ss Khandalla, 1,318 tons, Captain R J Rickford, R N R, which arrived in harbour on Thursday evening from the Persian Gulf via Karachi, brought a general cargo, 7 cases of opium and the following passengers:—Rev Mr Swynnerton, Mr Shore, Mr. Moriarty, 13 Khoja ladies and gentlemen and 8 infants and 86 deck.

VESSELS IN THE HARBOUR.—JULY 20.

Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination.	Date.	Agent.
Abyssinia		Greet	Wet Basin		Turret-ship
Plassy					Torpedo Catcher
Dalhousie		Vslo	Wet Basin		R I M S
Investigator		Heming	Dry Dock		R I M S
Nancowry		Mills	Do.		R I M S
Yanariva	2165	Smith			M M & Co
H Bolckow	629	Baker			B & P S N Co
Ohira	3495	Brown			M M & Co
Bullmouth	3907	Stratton			W & A G & Co
Culna	1463	Hill			M M & Co
Eliora	1444	Groom			M M & Co
Forerio	3591	White			M M & Co
Gaekwar	3742	Piterkin			M M & Co
Bhundara	2215	Stafford			M M & Co

VESSELS IN DOCKS.—JULY 20.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

Shed.	Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination	Date.	Agent.
A	Sultan	1783	Stahl	Zanzibar	3-8	F Heyer
B	Clan Chisholm	1870	Wotlok			P M & Co
D	Mozaffari	1337	Owen	Jedda		B & P S N Co
E	Haidari	1562	Erickson	Antwerp	20-7	B&P S N Co
G	Sq Esmeralda	673	Peterson	Melbourne		Owen & Okell
H & J	Mazdala	3340	Greet			Turret Ship
"	Tenasserim		do			Receiving Hulk
L	Mahanadi	347	Badroo	Repairing		Shepl & Co
M	Zaida	2883		Repairing		M M & Co
Q	Nurani	2870	Sandilands	Calcutta		T M & Co

Transport.

C	Ula	3421	England	China	21-7 M M & Co
K	Varthema	2803	London	China	27-7 Transport
N	Zamania	2882	Flee	China	25-7 M M & Co
P	Nankin	2259	Bennett	China	21-7 P & O Co

VICTORIA DOCK.

Shed.	Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination.	Date.	Agent.
1	Clyde	3198	Street	Aden	21-7	P & O Co
2	Khandalla	1318	Rickford	Karachi	24-7	M M & Co
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20	Haidari s	Erikson	Antwerp
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HIGH COURT.—JULY 21.

Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice B. TYABJEE.
Suits for hearing and final disposal.

Long Causes.

124 99—Dikshit and D—Doctor Ganesh Krishna Garde vs Ramchundra Vishnu Pranjepe and others—Mantri and B. Chitnis M and M, and Payne G S and M.
519 99—Hiralal M and M—Hoorbai and another vs Arshabai and others—Smetham B and N.
189 98—Thakurdas D C and H—Framjee Pallonjee vs P C H Snow and another—Crawford B and Co.
711 99—Muljee and R—Narbadabai and another vs Dharamdas Naljee an others—Virjee, Tyabjee and Co.
277 97—Payne G S and M—Peeroo Mahomed vs Karimbhoy Nensey and others—Matubhai J and M. (For postponement.)
24 1900—Captain and V—Nanabhai Anoopram vs Mistri Karimbux—Hiralal M and M.
81 1900—Hiralal M and M—Framjee Kapoorchund vs Karimbux Ali and another—Captain and V.

For further directions and costs on Commissioner's report.

236 97—Tyabjee D and Co—Girdhardas Jethabhai vs Nathoo Heerjee and others—Mantri and B.

Long Causes.

476 99—Crawford B and Co—Hassumbhai Visram and another vs Bai Bootebai widow and others—Craigie L and Oan i B and K.
474 99—Crawford B and Co—Hassumbhai Visram and another vs Dossa Thakersey—rhaishunker and K.
226 97—Little and Co—Homonjee Sorabjee Mazagonwala vs Framjee Cumjee and others—Edgelow G and W and J and R.
507 2018 99—Payne G S and M—Khimjee Jaitha and another vs Pragjee Valubhai—M Virjee.
714 99—Daphtary and F—A T Pereira vs T J Bennett and others—Crawford B and Co.

Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice CROWE.
Suits for hearing and final disposal.

Long Causes.

709 99—Thakurdas D C and H—Abdur Rehman Hajee Goolam Hoosen bin Tahir and another vs Esmail Hajee Abdulla bin Hajee Tahir—F P Pavri.
554 98—H M and M—Sobhagchund Tulleckchund vs Nanabhai Tulleckchund and others—T D C and H. and T D and Co.
662 99—Payne G S and M—E Winter vs Ahmedbhai Abdul Gufloor and others—Bicknell M and M.
263 96—Smetham B and N—Dadoba Juggonnath vs Dowjee Shewa—Nanu and H.
652 99—Little and Co—Jamsetjee Nowrojee Kapadia vs Hirabai—F P Pavri.
135 4838 99—Ardeshir H and D—Cullianjee Khetsey vs Bhugwanbnai Bhawanbhai—M J and M.
731 99—Wadia and J—Motee Wagjee and others vs Sakarbai widow and others—P G and M, and M and H.
687 97—Hiralal M and M—R S Raphael vs Mirza Mahomed Basker—Edgelow G and W.
222 98—Sorabjee and J—Ebrahim Abdul Ally and another vs Ebrahimji Rehmanji Khanbhai—Payne G S and M.
108 1900—Thakurdas D C and H—Bai Pashibai vs Manial Porbhoodas and others—H J R Hemming.
50 1900—Payne G S and M—Dhira Joda vs Dharma Teckchand—H M and M.
176 1900—Bhaishunker and K—Bhai Jivanjee vs Harivulubhdas Haridas—Little and Co.
769 99—Payne G S and M—Jaitha Jadowjee vs Khimjee Assoo and another—Shamrao and M.

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It is not generally known that Lord Roberts has with him at the present time in South Africa a warm personal friend who faced death with him in India more than forty years ago. The grey-haired veteran who rode by the side of the Commander-in-Chief into Kroonstad recently, and whom Lord Roberts familiarly addressed as "Jimmy," was Lieut. General Sir James Hills-Johnes of Dolan Cothy, in Carmarthenshire. The two old friends have much in common. Both, curiously enough, are very short of stature, both have had in India veritable hair-breadth escapes from death. There is a very considerable personal resemblance, and both have won the Victoria Cross. The two are indeed quite inseparable. Lord Roberts has on more than one occasion visited him at his beautiful Welsh home, and it was at the Commander-in-Chief's express desire that Sir James Hills-Johnes became godfather to "Bobs's" son, the gallant young officer who died at Colenso.

That the friendship is warmly reciprocated is shown by the fact that, at an age when most men are fit for nothing but a couch or a warm fireside, Sir James Hills Johnes, a couple of months ago set forth for the Cape, whence with a special permit he proceeded to the front to hear his old friend company. A glance at the past associations of the twain will show how much their memories will have in common.

The friendship began when the pair were at school together as cadets at Addiscombe. Lord Roberts joined the Bengal Artillery at the close of 1851, and Sir James Hills-Johnes who is just eleven months Lord Roberts' joined the same corps in 1853, so that nearly half a century ago these friends of to-day were subalterns in the same corps in India. Both experienced the dangers and perils of the Indian Mutiny; both were present at the siege of Delhi; both took part in the operations at the relief of Lucknow; both were dangerously wounded at the capture of Delhi both made miraculous recoveries; and both before the Mutiny ended, received the Victoria Cross. A decade later, both took part in the Abyssinian Campaign. They served together in the Kubul and other campaigns, and both, in 1881, received the thanks of both Houses of Parliament.

There is, however, one great difference between these friends of half a century. Lord Roberts married when still a subaltern in 1859. It was not until Sir James Hills-Johnes had finished his fighting days that he, in the "eighties," at the age of fifty, fell in love with a Welsh lady, the daughter of the late Mr. John Johnes, of Dolan Cothy, Carmarthenshire. Sir James Hills, for such, up to that time, had been his name, married Miss Johnes, and in 1883, by Royal License, he assumed the name of Johnes. He has since lived a quiet and uneventful life at his beautiful Welsh home. He is much beloved in the county, in the public affairs of which he has come to take a good deal of interest. In 1886 he was High Sheriff of Carmarthenshire, and he is still a County Councillor.

Sir James, in fact, ever since the days when they tutied at Addiscombe, is mentioned no less than eleven imes in Lord Roberts's book, "Forty-one Years in India," in which a very stirring account is given of the deed by which Hills won his V. C. Mrs. Steele in "On the Face of the Waters" also tells the tale, in words somewhat different, in matter the same. This is what she says: It was an eager company, as it discussed Lieutenant Hills' exploit of the morning, and asked for the latest bulletin of that reckless young fighter with fists against swords. "Carabineers didn't stand somehow, except their officer. So Hills charged instead. By George, I'd have given a fiver to see him at it. You know what a little chap he is—a boy to look at. He said he thought if he charged it would be a diversion and give time to load up. So he rode slap at the front cut down the first fellow, slashed the next over the face. Then the two following crushed into him, and down he went at such a pace that he only got a slice to his jacket, and lay snug till the troop, 150 or so, rode over him. Then, ha, ha! he got up and looked for his sword. Had just found it ten yards off, when three of them turned back for him . . . and they had a regular set-to. Then Hills' cloak soaked with rain, got round his throat, and the brute managed to disarm him. So he had to go for him with his fists, and by punching merrily at his head managed all right until he tripped over his cloak and fell." From this unpleasant predicament Hills was rescued by Major Tombs, and as Lord Roberts tells us, both officers were awarded the Victoria Cross.

"There are some errors," writes to me "An Invalided Officer," in the story you tell of Bonne and Drummer,' the dog of Major Ray. You state that Bonne was awakened by the whining of the dog, and that he afterwards found that Major Ray had been killed just at the same hour at Magersfontein. Now, poor Ray was killed at eleven o'clock in the morning, and by that hour both Bonne and the dog had been hours awake.

"What really happened was just as extraordinary, if not more so. It was in the middle of the night that Bonne was awakened by the whining of the dog. Bonne declared that he undoubtedly saw Major Ray standing in the door of the tent with Drummer looking at him, and whining. Ray then, Bonne says, walked off, followed by the dog, round to the back of the tent. Bonne at once got up, went to look for Ray but couldn't see a of sign him anywhere."

As I am writing of things weird I may add that the dread of the number thirteen will receive some confirmation from a small act in connection with the death of poor Mr. Porter. Mr. Andrew Marshall Porter, as my readers know, was the son of the distinguished lawyer who is Master of the Rolls in Ireland. When the early reverses of the war were announced he got very restless, and constantly was heard to exclaim that he would like to go out and help in the fighting. There were many difficulties in the way, and one of the greatest was the devoted affection of his father. But the young fellow was resolute, was finally enrolled in the Yeomanry, and was killed. His father is a popular man; his calm cold intellect and his instinctive impartiality distinguishing him in a country where such qualities are not too abundant even on the judicial bench, and there have been several meetings to offer the heart-broken parent all the poor consolation that can be given by the assurance of the sympathy of friends.

The little fact to which I allude about the poor young fellow is that when he was called to the bar there were thirteen on the list, and he was the thirteenth.

It is somewhat surprising, indeed, to find the number of people who are beset by this dread of 13. The late Mr. Parnell once absolutely refused to introduce a Bill in Parliament because it consisted of thirteen clauses, and insisted that another clause should be added. Mr. Pope, the great parliamentary counsel, who is one of the most clear-headed and broad-minded of men was once offered a very convenient house in Brighton. He at once refused it tempting though the offer was. Its number was 13.

And yet there are just as many instances in which thirteen could be proved to be lucky as there are to the contrary. Thirteen was the number of the cabin of the one man, either of the passengers or the crew who was saved when the "Drummond Castle" was wrecked off Ushant in June 1896. The story of John Hadfield is also testimony to the occasional blessings of the much-abused number. John died in the year 1770, when he had entered upon his 102nd year, but he had had a narrow escape from severe punishment as far back as the reign of William and Mary. He was military sentry at Windsor and was accused of having fallen asleep at his post. Had fieldstreuously denied the charge, and maintained his innocence by the statement that he had distinctly heard the clock of St. Paul's at midnight strike thirteen. Witnesses were produced to prove that the clock on the night in question had struck thirteen and Hadfield was acquitted. The incident was, by his express directions, recorded on his tomb.

Hector Macdonald narrowly escaped being dragged back into civilian from military life. His people were not so poor, as most of the accounts of his early years seem to indicate. His mother had a comfortable farm in the neighbourhood of Dingwall, while his uncle and aunt hold quite a large farm, with some hundreds of acres, and largely stocked, at Strathcrick, inverness-shire. Hence it was that when young Macdonald enlisted as a private soldier his family were in despair, and gave him up for a ruined man. His mother sent him at once his twenty-one pounds that were necessary to purchase his discharge, and begged him to come home. But Macdonald knew his suture better than his relatives; and returned the money with the statement that he had made the Army his profession and meant to stick to it.

At one stage of the operations, after forced marches and nights on the roadside, soaked through and through, he commandeered a Boer house for his own and his men's accommodation, taking first the precaution to clean it out with Keating's powder and eau de Cologne? Those who know Mr. Harry Beaumont will realise the humour of the situation, for, if there is one thing which his friends would have expected of him, it is the above preparations before committing himself to a night in a foreign, let alone a Boer, house. He is, indeed, one of the most scrupulously tidy and elaborately clean of Englishmen.

He is married to a very charming and clever American, who has been conspicuous in collecting and forwarding money and clothing for the Cheshire Yeomanry. She has been overwhelmed with anxiety about her husband, and has found her greatest relief in her unremitting kindness to soldiers' and sailors' wives and families in a large district somewhere near Holloway, where she has spent several days a week. The Beaumonts have a charming house in Bryanston square, where they usually entertain a great deal. This year, however, Mrs. Beaumont is doing nothing beyond seeing her friends in twos and threes at luncheon and dinner, and there the talk is all of the war.

Mrs. Beaumont comes of an old New York family. She was a Miss Jessie Fellowes, and knows every American worth knowing in London and out of it. She is a friend of Consuelo, Duchess of Manchester, at whose house she may often be met, and was most devoted to the Duchess's lovely daughter, who died last year at Davos Platz. Her husband, by the way, was in the Scots Guards, but resigned his commission and found his way out to America, where he nearly died from rheumatic fever, but where he also met his wife. He is a good rider, a good shot, a keen bridge-player and both he and Mrs. Beaumont are much in request at country-houses for both are the best possible company.

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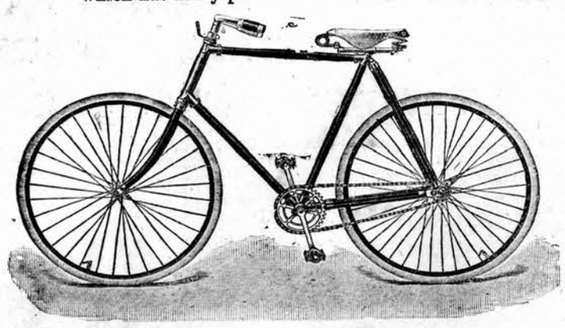

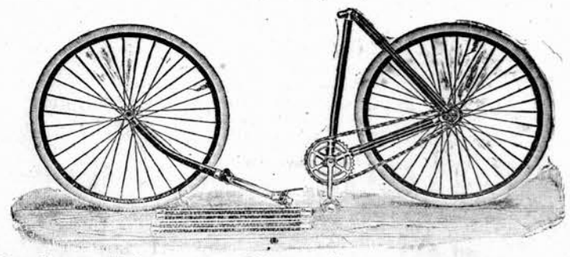

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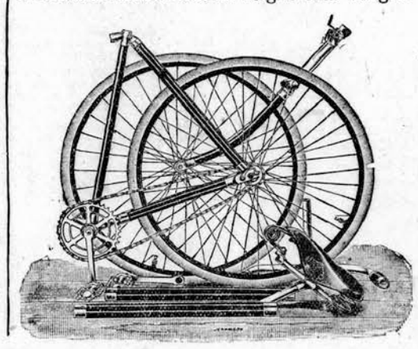

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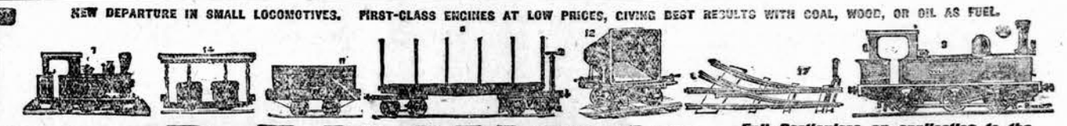

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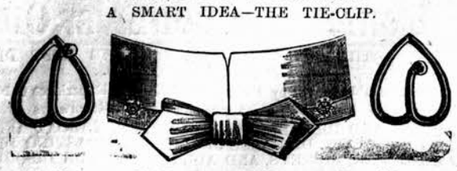

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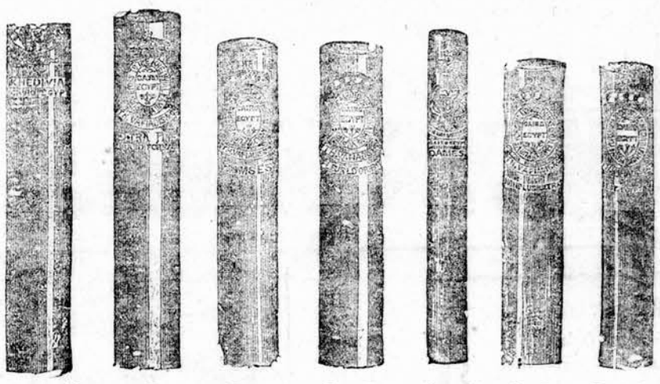

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